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PANTAGES AND CONSIDINE COMBINE TO FIGHT NEW ONE

Join as Individuals for "Ten-Cent" Chain Against That
Proposed by S. Morton Cohn. Pantages and
S-C Circuits Not Involved. New York
Representative Says Deal Likely

Seattle, Jan. 5.

If there is a game of bluff being pulled, count Pantages and Sullivan-Considine with their feet braced and right in the game.

These two circuits have gotten together on an understanding to arrange for a chain of "ten-centers" of their own, over fifty cities in the west, and to oppose if not forestall the proposed similar circuit promoted by S. Morton Cohn.

The policy of the Pantages-S-C houses, it is said, will be pictures opening and closing the show, with four or five acts in between.

The combine of the two companies in the "small time" trade out here to stand off a third circuit would not necessarily mean that they would be a unit on the bigger proposition which confronts them, that of opposing each other.

Alexander Pantages and John W. Considine, though sharp competitors for theatrical patronage, have been close friends, and could easily reach an understanding as against the other fellow.

No further particulars than the bare report have reached us. Nor has anything positive been given out regarding the Cohn scheme. With a straight ten-cent circuit in the west, there would be three grades of vaudeville, besides the picture houses. The Orpheum plays the firstclass, Pantages and S-C are the "small time," and the "ten-cent" would be anything anyone chose to term it.

A confirmation of the report carries with it that the "ten cent" combination will include only Messrs. Pantages and Considine as individuals, and not involve their circuits in the new venture.

It is also stated that no special cir-

cuit of theatres now operating will be taken over for the "ten-cent" purpose. There are many houses in the northwest available.

The headquarters for Pantages & Considine will be established in this city.

Louis Pincus, the New York representative for the Pantages Circuit in New York, when told the tenor of the dispatches from Seattle, said that such a combination between the two men was possible, and under the circumstances highly probable.

From remarks by Mr. Pincus he appeared to have had some previous intimation from the west of the proposed movement.

NO AMERICA FOR HER.

(Special Cable to VARIETY.)

London, Jan. 5.

Anna Held has refused an offer made to her through George Foster by William Morris to appear in American vaudeville. No salary was mentioned though Miss Held could have commanded a big figure for a trip to the Morris houses in the States.

THE CONTINENTAL HIT.

Paris, Dec. 27.

The song hit over the Continent now is "Yip-I-Addy," an American number that came across the Channel from England.

It is said that the visit of Maurice Shapiro to this side for the purpose of having the music trades which is handling the sale of the piece recollect that though the owner of the copyright (Shapiro) lives in America the royalties must keep on flowing regularly just the same.

MEBBE MORRIS' ROAD SHOW.

There is a chance that William Morris will organize a road show to travel over the Shubert houses. On the Shubert time, the road shows may transpose itself into a "Concert," as the brothers are under a penalty against playing vaudeville in their theatres. There is plenty of Shubert time to be had, according to general rumor.

If the plan comes out, probably Vesta Victoria, George Lashwood and a few others will compose the troupe which will appear in the Shubert theatres in the larger cities.

BUILT 51 IN A YEAR.

St. Louis, Jan. 5.

Building permits for 1910 show that 51 theatres were erected during that period, including two big ones, Shubert and Princess.

PERMISSION REFUSED KITTY.

The Shuberts have notified Kitty Gordon that she must not play in a New York vaudeville theatre, if her engagement for the Winter Garden is to be fulfilled. Miss Gordon was placed for Hammerstein's Victoria and Manhattan, Jan. 16 and 23.

It is said the English woman may cancel the New York time, taking to the woods for two or three weeks instead, if time in the wilds is secured for her.

DROUET IN NEW SKETCH.

With the passing of "The Foolish Virgin" this Saturday night, Robert Drouet will return to vaudeville in "A Couple of Cocktails." opening under the direction of M. S. Bentham.

Mr. Drouet played a variety week at Atlantic City just before accepting the berth of leading man in Mrs. Pat Campbell's support. He has held that important position to about all the leading actresses

MAY HOWARD COMES BACK.

Chicago, Jan. 5.

May Howard is coming back to the stage. She is back, as a matter of fact, appearing in a sketch for the last three days of this week at the Willard.

It is a long time since May faced the footlights.

BECK DENIES IT.

All rumors connecting his name with Hammerstein's Manhattan or Victoria or both were emphatically dequied by Martin Beck this week. Mr. Beck said there was not one word of truth in the stories and repeated the statement three times.

The rumors were that the arrival of Oscar Hammerstein was being awaited before the Hammersteins would decide whether Mr. Beck should become connected with their vaudeville theatres, and how. A side story was that the deal had something to do with Mr. Hammerstein's proposed grand opera house in London.

Reports were out of meetings between Messrs. Beck, William Hammerstein, Percy G. Williams and William Morris. The meetings were said to have been held at Mr. Williams' home.

Oscar Hammerstein is expected to return to New York next week.

HOLDS "SUNDAY CASE."

Another "Sunday case" was held for Special Sessions Tuesday, when Judge Herman decided that Ted Marks, manager of the Plaza would have "to go down town" for trial.

The Judge called a conference of his associates on the bench before rendering the decision. The action against Mr. Marks was for permitting a Sunday show, and is of the usual "Sunday violation" sort.

JOLSON GOES TO PALACE.

Next July (on the 12th) Al Jolson, the blackface monologist, will commence an engagement of four weeks at the Palace, London. It will be his first appearance abroad. The Marinelli office completed arrangements.

ANOTHER "HEART" SKETCH.

Another "Heart" sketch is about to hit the vaudeville boards. Ruth Richmond who has appeared in frothy pieces in the legitimate intends to try at the bull's eye with "The Call of the Heart." For support there have been engaged Fulton Russell, George C. Morgan, Alice Grafton, Helen Collier and Miss Richmond's twin sister, Redney.

Julius Steger is now players The Way to the Heart.

LEADING VAUDEVILLE ARTISTS FORMING ASSOCIATION OF 100

Membership to be Exclusive and Limited. Promoters Proceeding Quietly. Dissension Cropping up in Chicago's Local No. 4 Over Amalgamation With White Rats

Four of the best known artists in vaudeville are quietly proceeding to form an exclusive association, with a membership limit placed at 100. The order is to be fashioned very much along the lines which have upheld the Water Rats of England as the first artists' society of the world.

At least two of the promoters of the new society are White Rats. One, in speaking to a VARIETY representative this week, stated that he thought the publication might bring forth eligible artists, who might be overlooked by himself and associates in the quest for desirable members.

The belief of the men who have started this movement is that 100 of the best vaudeville acts will comprise more real strength within its membership rolls in the attempt to effect remedies and benefits than any general organization could command.

A similar scheme of organization was involved in the origin of the Vaudeville Comedy Club, which later became a social order.

Chicago, Jan. 5.

In spite of the general protestations of harmony between the newly amalgamated White Rats and Actors' Union the situation in this city as to the two bodies seems to indicate the opposite.

Although the charter from the American Federation of Labor was presented to the White Rats in New York City some time ago the books of the Actors' Union ners were not turned over to the White Rat representative until yesterday.

The relations between President Nemo and Secretary Budzilini of Local No. 4, of the Actors' International Union, (located here), and the White Rats were brought out by the delay in turning over. The trouble originally arose over a request for President Nemo and his secretary to transport and deliver the books of the A. I. U which he represented here to Abner Ali, local representative of the Rats.

Nemo refused to accede to this request. Ali called at the headquarters of the union and transferred the books to the Rats' headquarters, first signing a receipt.

The feeling seems to have been brought about because none of the members or officers of the Chicago local was consulted regarding the amalgamation.

The Chicago local has proven its strength in acting in behalf of the actor and it feels slighted, that after having proved their efficiency its officers were not consulted as to whether or not they approved of the joining of the two organizations.

It is stated by an officer of Local No. 4 that unless the policy initiated by the Chicago Local is carried out under the consolidation that President Nemo and Secretary Budzilini will assert their rights as members of the National Federation of Labor and insist that no special privileges be extended to the White Rats, and that as the latter is now part of the Federation of Labor, its members must go on strike and resort to other methods, boycott not excepted in aid of securing favorable conditions, just as any other labor organization must under proper authority.

LA SALLE'S NEW "GIRL" SHOW. Chicago, Jan. 5.

"The Sweetest Girl in Paris" will

be withdrawn from the LaSalle Jan. 22 and take to the road. Harry Askin's new production will probably be called "That Girl!" There will be "girl" somewhere in the title.

Sydney Grant, May De Sousa and Clara Palmer are the principals thus far engaged.

BOOSTING CINCINNATI.

The Orpheum, Cincinnati, will receive his thoughtful consideration from now on, said William Morris, Tuesday. The leading features of the circuit are to be presented there, added the manager.

Vesta Victoria is to head a strong program, with Lashwood to follow as a headliner, and the standard of attractions upheld, it having been found on inspection of the Orpheum's books that bills of this grade in the past had drawn the most money into the box office.

HECKERT CALLS ON MAYOR.

M. L. Heckert called at the Mayor's office Monday stating he wished to purchase the Mayor's country home. He was sent to a local institution for observation.

"Mike" Heckert for some years has produced all of the pieces Willie Collier has appeared in.

"MYSTERY MAID" NO. 2.

Billie Burke, who was responsible for "The Maid of Mystery," would like to know how the vaudeville managers view a No. 2 edition, with comedy as a side adjunct.

Mr. Burke says he has the act all mapped out. It will require ballyhooing and the other incidentals that went with "The Maid."

LEFT THROUGH "POSITION."

Cincinnati Jan 5

Middleton and Spellmeyer at the Orpheum Sunday afternoon quit the program, objecting to the position assigned by the stage manager, claiming it was not the spot as given their act by the New York Morris office.

The bill ran through the week without the vacancy being filled.

PARIS LIKES WHIPPING SCENE. Paris, Dec. 15.

Regina Badet, the classical danseuse, as actress. That is the most interesting feature in "La Femme et le Pantin," produced from Pierre Louy's book, at Theatre Antoine.

The play, in four acts, is laid in Spain. Don Mateo Diaz (M. Gemier) while in Seville espies a lovely cigarette girl, Concha (Mile, Badet) and leaves his inamorata, Bianca (Mlle. Dermoz) for the new one. Concha. though she likes the Don, is not easily captured. She runs away from home upon learning her mother is being bribed to further the love match. Don Mateo discovers her again in a baile at Cadiz, where she is the "bill-tonper" at the small dancing saloon. Concha pretends to prefer another, but the lover, by soundly thrashing the girl when she talks of this, wins her heart completely.

The first nighters greatly applauded this scene. The effect of the thrashing was marvelous and the curtain fell on the lovers in each other's arma.

Mlle. Badet has not had the training for a role such as Concha, but she danced nicely in the cafe concert scene. The piece is splendidly mounted, replete with hot sunshine and fragrant orange trees. The story interests, but I do not predict a long run, though M. Gemier is great in the rcle of the philandering lover.

Ken.

TWO BIG STARS IN.

London, Dec. 28.

Edmund Payne and George Grossmith, Jr., play as a "double act" this week at the Alhambra, Glasgow.

Following the couple will enter the Palace, London, for a long run.

Each is famous as a musical comedy star in England.

NEW OPERA ORDINARY.

Paris, Dec. 24.

"Rhodope," a comic opera, was spiendidly received at the Casino opera, Monte Carlo, on opening performance. Louis Canne wrote the opera, but the book is somewhat weak. The Egyptian setting if true to nature would indicate that ancient country not to have been of the best. c

Mariette Sully, an old favorite, sang and acted excellently, while M. Foix, a new tenor, did exceedingly well.

Looking over the opera field, one can readily see the lack of appropriate storie's for musical works.

CLARK AND BERGMAN.

Last October Giadys Clark and Henry Bergman produced their new act. They have been working it ever since and are well booked for the future.

Mr. Bergman wrote the act, called "A Baseball Flirtation," and since he has been so successful with it, has undertaken the construction of another piece, based upon the up-to-date theme of aviation.

Their manager in vaudeville is Jas. Plunkett, who has arranged a long route for them over the United Booking Offices Circuits, based upon their success as far as singers, talkers and dancers in the limited confines of

SELECT BENTHAM AS AGENT.

It is newsed around that the Shuberts have delegated M. S. Bentham to place stars from the Shubert shows in vaudeville. Rumor didn't say whether the affiliated producers with the Shuberts had also agreed that Mr. Bentham should be the agent to look after their vaudeville interests.

The cause of the report was Bentham offering acts, which are on the Shubert side, to the managers.

One consists of Max Rogers and C. William Kolb, who were to have continued starring in "The Summer Widowers." That show is on the shelf according to understanding with a faint hope of reorganization taking place. Until then Rogers and Kolb wili oblige as an act.

Another attraction put up to the managers by Bentham is Frauleiu Olly, now with "Mme. Troubadour." The German girl was imported for the Shubert successes this season.

CANADIAN "MELO."

About Jan. 23 Robert Irwin hopes to propel a Canadian melodrama into vandeville. It will be called "Wade of the Mounted," and deal with the police of the Northwest

MAY YOHE PLAYING AGAIN.

St. Louis, Jan. 5.

May Yohe, once Lady Francis Hope. is featured here at the Gem, one of Frank Talbot's picture theatres, this

RELIEVED OF ALL BLAME.

San Francisco, Jan. 5.

Final acquittal has been said for Murray Bennett, who was exonerated by a Coroner's Jury of blame through the death of a man in a midnight cafe. The Grand Jury threw the case out

HAZEL COX WITH BILLY GOULD.

Thursday the seal was to have been set upon an agreement between Hazel Cox and Billy Gould to travel in vaudeville as a team. Mr. Gould's last stage partner (after Valeska Suratt) was Clara Nelson. Miss Nelson is reported to have made large requisitions in the way of part payment of the joint wage received, and this held up many engagements offered Mr. Gould.

To clarify the booking atmosphere, a switch in partners was made. Miss Nelson lately "tried out" as a "single" on the "small time."

GOODWIN AT COLONIAL.

Nat C. Goodwin was engaged this week by Percy G. Williams to open at the Colonial, New York, Jan. 23.

NEW STAGE MANAGER.

John F. Rigney, for six years associated with the Percy G. Williams interests, succeeds Bud Burke as stage manager at the Colonial.

Mr. Rigney has had a wide range of experience, having been with Augustin Daly for ten years in this country and abroad, with Klaw & Erlanger's companies for six years, the J. C. Duff Opera Company, and Nat Goodwin.

LEGALWRANGLE OVER BOOKINGS FOR FULTON, B'KLYN, AVERTED

United Contracts to Supply Acts to the "Morris House." Then Sidesteps. Percy G. Williams Said to Have Blocked the Deal

Two shows were routed for the Fulton, Prooklyn, next week. One was framed up in the United Booking Offices; the other at the Morris Agency. The Morris show will play the house, or at least it had been so decided Thursday.

This decision came, according to report, through Percy G. Williams refusing to sanction the arrangement entered into by E. F. Albee with Rinehart & Beers, the owners of the Fulton. That house has a booking agreement with the Morris Circuit. and William Morris is interested to the extent of twenty per cent. of the profits. The landlords claim there has been no profit though it is said they are receiving ten per cent. per annum upon the investment in the theatre, and this has been obtained through vaudeville by way of rent.

Late last week Rinehart & Beers signed a contract to accept bookings from the United. The contract was the culmination of negotiations which commenced four weeks ago, Mr. Williams was consulted at the time, it is reported, and then stated he was not favorable to the Fulton entering the United agency. It would have placed the house, a short way from the Williams' Orpheum, Brooklyn, as a competitor in the same office. The understanding reached between the United people was hat the Fuiton's bills should grade somewhat after those at Williams' Greenpoint, keeping the cost of the programs far below those at the Orpheum. Another phrase of the understanding according to the same story was that no act playing the Fulton (booked by the United) should be placed for the Orpheum.

Whether Mr. Williams committed himself to this plan is not made clear. but Tuesday of this week the United bookers commenced laving out a bill for the Fulton. Wednesday morning all work was stopped. It was said at the United offices that the Fulton deal was off, without any reason being assigned. Having nothing else to do. the wise boys just said that Mr. Albee had attempted to put one over on Percy, and Perce had caught him at it.

Meanwhile the Morris office, which has booked the Fuiton since it opened (excepting last summer when Loew played "smail time" there) had instructed its attorney to prepare injunction papers. A bill for next week was submitted to the Fulton management by Morris.

The injunction flopped when the Fulton was not taken in by the United, leaving Rinehart & Beers with a couple of booking contracts. They have been ordering the Fulton programs reduced until at present the house is playing a show costing about \$1.400 for the week. When business is good at the Fulton, Rinehart & Beers credit the house management; when it is bad they blame the booking office, according to stories, of which there have been many told.

HAS "BLACKLISTED" ACTRESS.

Yonkers, N. Y., Jan. 5.

Warburton this week Ethel MacDonough is appearing. Miss MacDonough's name is on the "blackiist," having appeared on the Morris circuit as "The Devine Myrma."

WAYBURN'S "THE PRODUCER."

"The Producer" by Ned Wayburn is to see the light about Jan. 30. Mike Bentham, that young agent who locks up his box of eight cigars in the office safe every night (and day) will be the director of the bookings.

It is the first act Mr. Wayburn has slipped over into the vaudeville yard for some time. There will be thirtyfive people engaged. The act will start by applicants calling for jobs, then to a rehearsal, and the producer will present for the finale a miniature musical

STARTED LATE, BUT GREW FAST. Atlantic City, N. J., Jan. 5.

The Mahoney Brothers, a corking good act from the West, playing Young's Pier this week, until recently laid off a whole year owing to a peculiar illness of the young brother.

Until about a year ago he was a midget, but suddenly commenced to grow. During the period of growth (which added eighteen inches to his height), he was unable to work.

The former midget says that the greatest difficulty he found while growing was to secure clothes to fit him for any length of time. He is entirely well now and an extraordinarily clever dancer.

GOT ONE DAY ANYWAY.

Lafayette, Ind., Jan. 5.

Vaudeville was haited at the Victoria Jan. 4 to permit the Shuberts to creep in with a legitimate attraction, "The Lottery Man," booked for one performance.

Previous attempts to show "jegit" shows at the Victoria have been disastrous. The new Dryfus, which no longer houses Shubert attractions, is controlled by Harry Somers of New

Mina Minar's new pantomime production opened at the Keith house. Paterson, N. J., Monday.

La Maze, Bennett and La Maze leave for London Jan. 30, booked by B. A. Myers on the other side.

NO BUSINESS WITH SHUBERTS.

Little business has been done by Hugo Baruch & Co., of Berlin, with the Shuberts, according to A. Schoelvinck, the firm's representative in New York.

If there is an impression abroad that his firm has been doing an extensive business with the Shuberts, it should be corrected, says Mr. Schoelvinck. Baruch & Co. has done but very little with the brothers. The bulk of their theatrical transactions on this side has been with Klaw & Erlanger, Charles Frohman, Henry B. Harris, Fred C. Whitney, Lew Fields, Lieblers, and Henry W. Savage.

Mr. Schoelvinck's correction was brought forth by the article in last week's VARIETY, mentioning the formation of a producing concern through the United Booking Offices with which the German firm is connected.

Chicago, Jan. 5.

Gus Sohike, who has been retained by the United Booking Offices as producer of the agency's newly organized production department has announced that fact, together that shortly he will present on his own account in different scenic productions Maude Lillian Berri, Anna Fitzhugh and Christine Neilson. Each new act will have a "girl" background.

Clara Belle Jerome having jeft "The Joyland" vaudeville number, will be the centre of another Sohlke pretentious turn for the varieties in the near future.

M. S. Bentham wili place the Sohlke acts, which are to be produced as individual enterprises.

FIND A "FIND."

Gordon & North believe they have a "find" in Hugh Herbert; soon to star in a new act. The piaylet by Aaron Hoffman, deals with the reformation of a young Hebrew. The title may be "The Son of Solomon." William Deane, general stage manager for David Belasco, has been engaged to but on the piece.

BUCKNER ADMITS.

Arthur Buckner, about whom more is said and less is known than any other person in the show business, has had cards printed reading:

"Everything they say about me IS."

Mr. Buckner states he doesn't always know what "they" may be relating about him, but will admit it ls true without knowledge.

The latest little idea in the Buckner forehead is to open an Institute around Times Square, where one may receive anything the system requires. Associated with him will be a physician. The building will have large' signs reading "Buckner's Institute." "They" are offering odds of 10-1 that Buckner will even clean up on the Doctor's diploma.

There was a sign in the Booking Offices reading "Buckner & Shea have no connection with this office." Buckner liked the sign so well he removed it, and is having the saying framed.

STAGE MANAGER PARDONED.

Before leaving the executive mansion at Albany, Jan. 1, to Governor Dix, Horace White, who ascended to Gubernatorial honors upon Gov. Hughes taking to the Supreme Bench of the U.S. Court, pardoned Harry Rose, convicted of murder in 1902 and sentenced to nineteen years in prison for the killing of his wife.

Mrs. Jennie Proctor, mother-in-law of the prisoner and 72 years of age, has spent all her time since the man's conviction in attempting to have him pardoned. Her latest efforts were successfui. The petition had the signature of prosecuting attorney Jerome and Judge Vernon M. Davis, before whom Rose was tried.

Mrs. Proctor asserts that Rose did everything possible to redeem her daughter, and the wife's actions brought about her death. She believes her son-in-law is without biame.

The case was a noted one at the time. Mrs. Rose had an entanglement with a New York business man, which her husband discovered. He then shot

CASEY CO. JUST THE SAME.

No changes have occurred in the Dan Casev Co. since the death of Victor Smalley, who was manager of the producing corporation. Dan Casey remains in charge, and Mr. Smalley's interests are represented by Mrs. Helen Leliman, secretary to the late sketch writer.



LILA COTAY

"THE AEROPLANE GIRL"

The above shows the turnavay at Proctor's, Plainfield, N. J., occurring at each perform ance. The act was held at the bout the work, and after the first personner at the Union Square, this work, the cume thing occurred.

The act will remain there are in three days at that house at o

ALL CHARGES AGAINST THE UNITED OFFICES DISMISSED

Close of Case Develops Into a Noisy Finish. Commissioner Refuses a Rehearing

Replete with dramatic incident was the last of the hearings before the Commissioner of Licenses regarding the charges of the White Rats against the United Booking Offices. The two charges against the agency remaining after the commissioner had dismissed the other thirteen last week were thrown out last Wednesday after the White Rats refused to proceed under them.

From the time that the hearing opened it seemed as though there were going to be "big doings." Almost a score of White Rats were present, including the assistant secretary John Hill, and Tim Cronin. The latter was very much excited, and on several occasions had to be calmed by the police officer on duty in the commissioner's office.

The close of the hearing found Cronin on the floor proclaiming to all present that the proceedings had not been "on the level." He was again quieted by the officer and left the office. The attorneys also had a little set-to that consisted mainly of words, after the hearing. It seemed that a general "tip" had gone out to the big dailies that the United was to lose its license. When the reporters arrived they discovered the "tip" had been misleading.

The proceedings were opened by the Rata' attorney who read a letter to the commissioner in which there was a veiled threat that if he did not reconsider the decision handed down in this case last week, the case would be taken before Mayor Gaynor.

At the close of the letter, the Rat attorney cited a case in the Bureau of Weights and Measures as an instance in describing the method of proceedure which the commissioner should follow. To this comparison, the commissioner later took exception.

The speech, made by M. L. Malevinsky, including the reading of the letter, in behalf of the motion to reopen the hearing and with a view to gain the admission of the sections of the complaint which were thrown out by the commissioner's decision last week, lasted for very nearly an hour.

Mr. Malevinsky also read a latter regarding the "Black List," in an attempt to prove that that was in existence. The letter he read was from the office of M. S. Bentham to an act in which it was stated that as the act was on the "Black List" there was nothing he could do in its behalf. Maurice Goodman, for the United, objected to the admission of this letter on the record of the hearing and he was sustained by the commissioner.

Mr. Malevinsky also read section No. 191 of the Employment Agency Law to the commissioner and emphasized certain sentences which refer to the duties of the functionary occupying the office of Commissioner of Licenses.

At the conclusion of the speech by Mr. Malevinsky, Mr. Goodman took the floor and stated that he had attended the hearing under the impression that Mr. Malevinsky was to make an argument on behalf of the motion for a rehearing, but that as the White Rats' attorney had not done so, he (Goodman) saw no occasion to an-

It was then the commissioner, Herman Robinson, made a rather spirited speech, in which he denied the motion for a rehearing.

The commissioner stated he had sent letters to a number of acts several months ago in an endeavor to obtain evidence against various managers and agents, several of the acts that he addressed he knew to be White Rats, but that replies were not forthcoming. He also said White Rats were responsible for the passing of the law regarding employment agencies which is at present in force, and that he believed that there should be some loyal members of the organization who should come forward and acquaint his office with sufficient facts to proceed against agents who were violating the law. He regretted that this was not a fact, also stating that he took exception to the statement that the Rats were a secret order when it came down to enforcing the laws which they were responsible for.

Mr. Goodman then moved that the case be continued and that the Commissioner proceed to take evidence on the two charges that remained in the complaint of the Rats. This the attorneys for the Rats refused to do, Mr. Malevinsky stating that he felt the commissioner had prejudged the case as far as financial statements of the responsibility of various house managers were concerned, and that the issue was quite trivial. For the statement regarding the prejudging of a case the commissioner berated the Rats' attorney.

After the lawyers for the White Rats refused to proceed with the case the Commissioner dismissed charges pending against the booking office.

The notice of application for a rehearing read as follows:

hearing read as follows:

The complainants would respectfully show that the Commissioner has misunderstood and misconcelved his province and his duty in respect to the charges that have been preferred by the complainants and that are at present before the Commissioner for hearing.

That the complaint as filed and the bill of particulars as furnished, reference to which is made in the letter and notice of the Commissioner dated December 29, 1910, present facts sufficient to defend itself as required by Section 1910 of the Law.

That said complaint and bill of particulars present a concise statement of facts presenting the charges upon which the complainants seek to have respondent's license cancelled and revoked, and that the charges as contained in the commisant and bill of particulars are sufficiently specific to demand and require that the Commischen charges and entertain proof in support of said charges.

Deiro is able to be outdoors, but unable to fulfill any of his vaudeville engagements.

"SMALL TIME" BLACKLIST.

Philadelphia, Jan. 5.

Considerable agitation has been caused among the small time agents and artists by the report that commencing with the first of the year the Family Department of the United intended to rigidly enforce the "blacklist" and that any act playing any of the small time houses in towns having houses booked through the United, would not be allowed to play any of the small time houses booked through the Family Department or any of its branch offices.

Just how (ar or widespreading this edict would become is the question that is bothering the small time acts. Up to the present time very little notice has been taken of acts playing other theatres in this city after or before playing the house booked through Charles J. Kraus, the booking agent whose office is affiliated with the United and who supplies acts for a large number of small time houses in Philadelphia and vicinity.

Mr. Kraus was asked how much truth there was in the reports, and stated that whatever action was taken in the matter would come through the head of the department. He did not care to say anything further.

There has been considerable feeling among some of the booking agents in this city and several times acts have been "pulled out," offices other than the one connected with the United being charged with the responsibility. In one case it has been emphatically stated by a manager of a house securing his acts through the United, that under no circumstances would a turn working other time be booked.

PHILADELPHIA AGENCY CASE.

Philadelphia, Jan. 5.

Miss Green of Green and Green has preferred charges against F. G. Nixon-Nirdlinger before the License Bureau. The woman is married. She is said to have been induced to make the charges, which are that the agentmanager made insulting proposals to her in his office.

At the hearing Miss Green admitted she had called at the office several times after the alleged occurrence and gave as her reason for returning there that the act needed work.

The License Bureau decided that before a complaint could be entertained, it would be necessary for Miss Green to prosecute Mr. Nixon-Nirdlinger and prove her case before a proper tribunal.

An outcome of the matter is a slander suit for \$5,000, brought by Nixon-Nirdlinger against one Wili S. Beecher, who claimed that he was a representative of the White Rats of America, and stated the Nixon-Nirdlinger Agency was being improperly conducted. For this statement the slander suit was started.

K.-P.'S PRICES UP.

Another change in prices has been made at Keith and Proctor's Bijou Dream theatre on 14th street. The range now runs from 15 to 35 cts. Just before election the admission fee was tilted from ten cents to fifteen and twenty with twenty-five cents demanded for the boxes.

SMALL TIME CROWDED OUT.

Chicago, Jan. 5.

Several of the "small timers" here which have been booking through Frank Q. Doyle and Ed. Lang have decided to give up the fight, turning to pictures exclusively.

The first house to break away will be the Lyceum, on 31st street, which will start pictures next week. From present indications several others may also flop then.

Managers and agents are very much disturbed over the outlook. The reason for the change is laid to the overcrowded "small time" field here.

TWO CLOSE IN PITTSBURG.

Pittsburg, Jan. 5.

The McGuinness Bros. and the Six Juggling Blossoms (girls) closed with "The Serenaders" at the Gayety last Saturday, returning to New York Monday. The Columbia Comedy Four and "Venus on Wheels" opened with the Jack Singer troupe at Cleveland, Jan. 2.

Emmett Weedon joined the show here, going ahead. Arthur Rosenberger is now back with the troupe. Rosenberger was formerly treasurer at the Empire, Toledo.

25-CENT MATINEES HELP.

St. Louis, Jan. 5.

The inauguration of 25-cent matinees at the Princess have proven the most popular innovation of the season and the lower floor is sold out at every performance Christmas week and so far this week. The Princess will show a big profit for its initial year, Manager Dan Fishell, says.

PAYTON LIKES "POP."

The report is about that with the introduction of "pop" vaudeville under Corse Payton's management into the Bijou, Brooklyn, that Mr. Payton has grown fond of the entertainment himself. So much so, it is said, that Mr. Payton is thinking of going out after the "pop" thing on an elaborate scale, to vie with some of the larger small time circuits now established.

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the Shapiro publishing house. was formerly with Witmark.

Lulu Valli, the English singing girl from musical comedy on the other side will "show" at the Fifth Avenue this Sunday.

Ned Nye may appear as a single very soon. Mr. Nye has been living luxuriously on his proceeds as author of several books.

Norma Alexander, a thirteen-pound daughter, ushered in the New Year for Mr. and Mrs. Geo. B. Alexander, at Cincinnati.

The Zancigs have gone west. Before leaving the mysterious pair disposed of their moving picture interests in New York.

John Lawson will return to New York to open at the American, Jan. 23. The English actor will play four weeks on the Morris time.

Metz and Metz have discontinued playing "The Midnight Rehearsal." and have foined the original Moneta Five, at present on the W. V. A. time.

Rosie Lloyd will not play over here this season, having been unable to secure postponement of English contracts for a sufficient time to warrant the trip.

The Four Readings sailed Tuesday to open at Dusseldorf, Germany, Jan. 16, with foreign bookings for a year ahead, placed through Jenie Jacobs of the Casey Agency.

Vilmos Westony has been placed on the Sullivan-Considine time for two trips, the first commencing Feb. 13. The Marinelli agency did the booking.

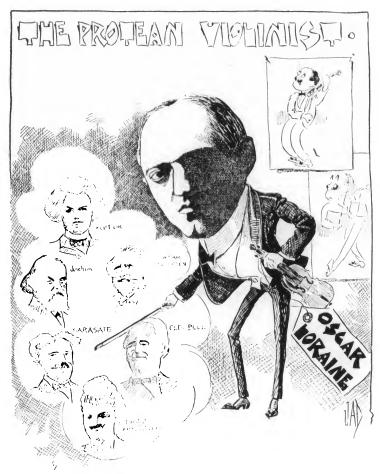
The Sisters McConnell have left "The Girl in the Kimona," returning to middle-west vaudeville.

Billy Carney (Carney and Wagner) greeted daughter No. 2 at his home in Springfield, Mass., last Sunday.

"The Apache Dance" has been placed to open at Youngstown, O., next week, with Akron the following. Irving Cooper booked the act with Feiber & Shea.

Percy G. Williams was engaged in a law suit which ended in a disagreement of the jury. The action was for \$15,000 in connection with some bonds concerned in the transfer of the Aihambra theatre.

Genaro and Bailey play the Hamlin Avenue, Chicago, next week, placed by B. A. Myers. The same agent has secured a route over the Morris time for Zelaya, the pianist, and son of a South American president.



OSCAR LORAINE plays the MANHATTAN OPERA HOUSE next week (Jan. 9), where he will endeavor to "make good." despite "THE CUTE LITTLE CHOOSER" having introduced his best character there one week ahead of him.

Mlle. Minnie Amato, who has been appearing in the pantomimic offering "The Slums of Paris" is to be seen shortly in a new dumb playlet entitled "La Main."

Lawrence Johnston opens at the Bronx, Jan. 23, to play the P. G. Wiliiams tour. His sister, Mabel Johnston, goes to London in February. Both are ventriloquists.

Fred Rivenhall, Nelson Comiques and Wartemburg Bros. were placed by Irving Cooper this week to open on the Pantages Circuit during Feb. and March.

Richard F. Staley has recovered from a severe cold contracted when he was last in the east in furtherance of his mining operations. Mr. Staley is hard at work again at the mines.

Harry Mayo will cease doing a 'straight" singing act after finishing at the Plaza next week. He may later try out a blackfaced turn, delivering a singing monolog. Irving Cooper, his one time partner, is looking after the booking.

Percy Haswell will open at the Majestic, Chicago, this month. A postponement of vaudeville time became necessary through an offer from the Shuberts for a play, which hasn't materialized. Alf T. Wiiton is still the

At Norristown, Pa., Monday "My Friend Hogan" appeared at the local playhouse, and was hooted off the stage at the matinee. The theatre was dark in the evening. The show was gorgeously described as a musical comedy. Norristown didn't believe it.

The action of Louis Ginsberg, one of the Wellman "America" airship crew. against William Morris for a week's salary was dismissed when tried last week, the court ruling that as Ginsberg had not appeared for rehearsal. he had no case.

New Year's Eve was a big show night in New York, and a harvest for the ticket speculators. Some secured as high as \$2.50 for fifty-cent seats. The American gave three extra night shows from Saturday to Monday, on the Roof. With Monday rainy, all theatres were jammed fuil.

Walter Pearson, for two seasons the leading "straight" with Gordon and North's "Merry Whirl" company, and Harry C. Lyons, with "The Serenaders" last season, will do a singing and talking comedy act in one. They opened on the Jersey side the · last half of this week.

Maurice Shapiro is due to return today unless a delay keeps the Caronia (White Star Line) from docking until tomorrow. Mr. Shapiro embarked for the return trip from Liverpool Dec. 31. Edgar Seldon, members of the Shapiro office force, and a delegation of Friars and other friends have planned to meet Mr. Shapiro.

"Doherty Sisters" appear on the Hammerstein program this week. The girls were billed without knowledge by some one at the house. They are on their way to Australia, with Willy Pantzer. The contract made for this week is six months' old. There was enough "show," and no act filled in the vacancy.

Following an annual custom, the Greenpoint theatre staff gave a banquet at that house Monday night. Mons. O'Hare, Mayor of Greenpoint, who was the principal guest, made a felicitous speech in behalf of the theatre employes and presented Manager Tommy Blatt with a gold watch and chain. Some of Greenpoint's prominent citizens graced the festal board.

Dave and Josephine Sabel have booked themselves for the Ponce De Leon, St. Augustine, Fiorida, for the month of January, Miami, Fia., for February, and if the pinochle end holds up well, Dave will pick off a couple of other winter resorts until the warm weather returns to this part of the country. Anybody knowing anyone around here who thinks he can play pinochle, Mr. Sabel will declare in the introducer at 50-50 for the introduction alone.

At Portland, Me., last week the near-strike at the Portland theatre was settled by the instigator of the trouble being released. He received his full week's salary. The remainder of the bill continued. The act in the midst of the trouble, Boyle and Evans, cancelled all other time it had on the United Booking Offices Family Department circuits. The manager of the theatre and the act made statements in the local papers concluding the affair.

WESTERN ADDS WEEK.

Chicago, Jan. 5.

It is understood that commencing Jan. 9 Western Wheel shows will play Krug's, Omaha, with St. Joe for a week, "splitting" the two towns. The Eastern Wheel is now intrenched in Omaha, at the Gayety, as a week stand.

James H. Curtin, when seen about the Omaha deal, confirmed the report and said the Krug would open with a matinee performance tomorrow by "The Rector Girls," which would remain there until Thursday morning when they would go to St. Joe to finish out the week at the Lyceum.

By taking in Omaha, the Empire circuit fills in the open week between St. Paul and Kansas City and does away with the different companies playing one-night stands heretofore dated under their own dictation.

The Krug is a Stair & Havlin house, which has played the high class legitimate attractions.

NOW OWNS WHOLE SHOW.

With the division of Weber & Rush, Edward F. Rush removed "The Bon Tons" as his own, while his partner, L. Lawrence Weber, drew down as a piece of individual property "The Parisian Widows." The third show operated by the firm "The Dainty Duchess" was left as a partnership item.

Last week Mr. Rush sold his onehalf share in "The Duchess" to Mr. Weber. The consideration is reported as \$10,000. A law suit between the partners was also settled about the same time.

GERARD AFTER THE CHAMP.

Al Kaufman now has Barney Gerard as manager. Mr. Gerard will issue a challenge to Jack Johnson on behalf of Kaufman, for the heavy-weight title.

This week Mr. Gerard also signed a denial of the report he might leave (with his "Follies of the Day") the Western Burlesque Wheel for the Eastern Circuit next season. Mr. Gerard says his relations with the Western Wheel officials have always been of the pleasant kind, and that they have never denied him any concessions asked for.

SHOW'S PRINCIPALS ENGAGED.

Philadelphia, Jan. 5.

The engagement of Klara Hendrix of "The College Girls," and Harry Koler, principal comedian of "Queens of Jardin de Paris," has been announced. Miss Hendrix is showing a huge diamond engagement ring to her envious friends. The marriage is to take place at the close of the season in New York.

LOOKING FOR PRODUCERS.

The newly formed Lawrence Weber Co-Operative Circuit, which intends to have a string of forty houses next season, playing combinations produced under the direction of the booking agency, has been sending for producers the past few days, according to reports about.

Several have been given details of the promotion and offered the opportunity of placing a production upon the "Combination Wheel."

DIVIDEND WEEK.

This is dividend time for the Columbia Amusement Co. (Eastern Burlesque Wheel) and its subsidiary companies. Yesterday in New York occurred the bi-yearly meeting of the Columbia, when a dividend was marked down on the books. It would be ten per cent., the wise ones said, before the meeting. Another will be declared at the end of the fiscal year next June, when the total amount of the dividends for the year in Columbia company will reach from twenty to thirty per cent.

Next week is the first anniversary for the Columbia theatre, New York, the Broadway house of the Eastern Wheel. It is reported a dividend of ten per cent. for the year will be voted on the capitalization, \$400,000.

CRITIC CORRECTS HIMSELF.

Philadelphia, Jan. 5.

In the review of the "Follies of New York and Paris" when it played the Casino, this city, Ada Ayers was given credit for carrying off the honors among the women principals.

This was a mistake, for the honors belonged to Nell Capron, the prima donna of the company, who led the principal numbers and sang the big song hit of the show with Saul Powder. Miss Capron is prominent at all times, while Miss Ayers has little to do until the burlesque.

The mistake was made by the reviewer and did Miss Capron an injustice.

MISS BAKER'S BURNS BETTER.

Marie Baker, who backed up against the switchboard in her stage costume when the "The Ginger Girls" played Detroit week of Aug. 28, and had her back severely burned, will rejoin the show in Philadelphia next week.

Miss Baker has been in burlesque for several seasons.

CHANGES IN "MAIDENS."

Rochester, N. Y., Jan. 5.

May Crawford and Gladys Sears left
"The Midnight Maidens" after the engagement here last week. Creighton Bros., McArthur Sisters. Elsie Del
Roy and Ted Evans are others who
have recently quitted the show.

Lizzie B. Raymond, Dannie Simmons, Ned Norton and Jim Purvis joined the company at Schenectady Monday. Violet Pearl is reported to be engaged also.

MARRIAGE CELEBRATION.

St. Louis, Jan. 5.

"The Star and Garter Show" celebrated the incoming New Year at the Gayety by a stage wedding. Sadie Brown of the troupe, and Louis Bieler, the electrician of the company, were married during the performance of the show New Year's eve.

SINGER SIGNS RINALDO.

Jack Singer has engaged Rinaldo. the violinist, for ten weeks with "The Serenaders," opening Jan. 31 at St. Louis.

Rinaldo is returning to this side for that length of time. He has been a very big hit abroad B. A. Myers was the agent.

OUT WITH DENIALS.

This was a busy week for theatrical papers and Western Burlesque Wheel managers. The papers had scouts out all week securing denials of the report printed in Variety last Saturday that the Western Wheel might lose some of its best shows, through the Eastern Wheel securing them for next session.

It is said several denials were signed, but one buriesque manager stated that probably before the signatures were appended to the contradictions, the Empire Circuit Co. (Western Wheel) had likely made new terms or promises to the managers in question, that being the customary burlesque way to hold the ranks intact. It often happens that where there is a chance of a show "flopping over," the manager of it receives a higher percentage of the gross for the next season.

It was also reported during the week that A. M. Bruggemann had said the Eastern Wheel people would not have his Empire. Paterson, N. J. The Eastern Wheel officials stated they did not want it. The facts regarding that seem to be that when the Eastern folk were in doubt whether Hurtig & Seamon would continue with burlesque at the Metropolis, New York, Paterson was looked to as a temporary stop gap for the open week the leaving of the Metropolis might cause.

A DIFFERENT "FOLLIES."

"The Follies of the Year" is the title of the organization the Metropolis Amusement Co. is forming. The Theatrical Producing Managers notified Morimer Kaphan, of the Amusement Co., that to name his show "The Follies of Day" would be an infringement upon the title of a burlesque company. Mr. Kaphan replied the name first settled upon ended with "Year," not "Day," nor the year's numerals

AWAITING DECISION.

No decision has been handed down in the suit for application for restraining injunction against Elmer Tenley and the Whallen & Martell Amusement Company by Fred Irwin for using an alleged adaptation of his burlesque piece, "Frenchee."

The court was expected to have made its ruling ere this, but the matter was deferred until the passing of the holidays. Before another week has passed, it is thought the case will be settled one way or another. Meanwhile Tenley and the Whallen & Martell company continue to produce their second act of "The Pennant Winners" entitled "Harum Scarum."

There has been an amicable settlement between Fred Irwin and L. L. Weber regarding the song "Paree," in which the former claimed was being used by the Watson Sisters in the latter's show, "Dainty Duchess," and was his original property, the sisters withdrawing it from their repertory.

George C. Davis, who has been quite ill in the hospital, is out again.

Tom Transfield is again confined at his apartments, 256 West 38th street.

HITS WESTERN MANAGERS.

A well known Western Burlesque Wheel manager has forwarded the following letter to all associates on his Wheel:

Philadelphia, Dec. 16, 1910. Gentlemen:

I would respectfully call your attention to existing conditions in Milwaukee, Minneapolis and St. Paul which I do not think is fair to the traveling manager. It is an established fact that with the cost of the big railroad jumps that few managers can break even in the northwest. Fighting the Eastern Wheel is hard enough but to have to contend with the wrestling matches managed by the same men who represent our houses, but who hold these matches in opposition houses and in direct opposition to the houses we play in is too much of a hardship. The wrestling draws packed houses, and is well known that wrestling matches pulled off in cities that we play in hurts the burlesque houses more than any other form of amusement, and to think that these same matches are directed by the men who handle the burlesque houses. It is a matter that ought to be looked into at once. This is not written in a spirit of spite or animosity, but for the benefit of all who have their money invested. It is a matter of fact that it is really hard to find these managers about the theatre to attend to routine business that is requisite to give the shows.

Yours respectfully, (Signed by the Manager.)

MAY BUILD IN NEWARK.

Newark, N. J., Jan. 5.

It is said the Miner Estate, when obliged to leaves its present Empire, may go into a new theatre with the Western Burlesque Wheel shows.

The new Bamberger store will swallow up the site of the Empire. The Miners are reported negotiating for a plot of the Mullin estate, on Washington street, south of Market. They are rumored also as after Proctor's Bijou Dream.

BUYS THE COPYRIGHT.

Werba & Luescher and Tom Mc-Naughton have concluded to purchase the copyright of "The Three Trees" recitation, now employed by Mr. Mc-Naughton, differently from the original, in the firm's production "The Spring Maid" at the Liberty. The American copyright is held by Alfred Whelan, now in England. He will receive \$240. Mr. Whelan secured from Mark Sheridan the material he copyrighted over here.

There is talk of a "No. 2" "Spring Maid" company going on the road. The show played to over \$14,000 at the Liberty last week, and to over \$4,100 on Monday of this week (two shows). The advance sale has reached \$40,000.

The success of the production, which is complete from every angle, has brought its promoters, Louis F. Werba and Mark A. Luescher propositions from some very big stars to be taken under their management.

YOUR IDEAL VAUDEVILLE BILL IN PRIZES \$200

\$100 for the best bill submitted; \$50 second prize; \$25 third prize; \$15 fourth and \$10 fifth.

SELECT YOUR OWN JUDGE

The malls from the west bearing the first Ideal Bill and Judge coupon printed sent the name of Martin Beck up among the leaders in the contest for Judge. Mr. Beck is the general manager of the Orpheum Circuit, which has houses in all the large western cities.

The Ideal Bills coming in from the west also run somewhat differently to those received from eastern folk. The lay readers who make up ideal Bills with an exception now and then appear to have a very excellent idea of how a good show should run, though often they exceed in cost what the average vaudeville manager could afford to pay for a bill.

Whether the cost is to be figured in the selection of the winner is something for the Judge selected to decide. An "Ideal Bill" would not necessarily imply that it must be one the managers could play, although the Judge might take the expensiveness of it into consideration. On the other hand he or she might select bills submitted that appealed as the cream of variety entertainment, and the show selected as the winner of the competition could go down in history as the honorary program of the present dav.

Ideal Bill coupons are being received in groups, and more than one vote is being cast by the same person for Judge. There is no objection to this. With the millions of possible combinations from the names of acts playing in vaudeville, as many Bills may be forwarded as one might care to prepare.

This week only those with two votes or more are printed in the list of candidates for Judge. Numberless coupons bear names for Judge of those who have that single vote. It would require too much space to list all. As the competition progresses over the weeks, names will be gradually withdrawn according to the number of votes to their credit, although retained on the record.

William (Willie) Morris, Jr., has submitted an Ideal Bill; also voted for Judge. Master Morris' selection as the best expert on vaudeville shows is Pat Casey.

Willie's choice for the Ideal Bill is Miller Bros., Daly's Country Choir, "Scrooge," Cliff Gordon, Julian Eltlinge, Willie Hale, "Consul," Harry Lauder, "Wow Wows." It might be imagined from the program Willie arranged that he had never seen a vaudeville show that was not in danger of being "blacklisted," although he and his father one evening watched Mrs. Doc Munyon at Hammerstein's.

The interest in the Ideal Bill Contest has become general. From inside and outside of the profession Bills are received. The public in their votes for Judge favor Percy G. Williams and William Morrls. The votes

for Mr. Beck are nearly all from laymen apparently. Among the leaders for Judge Pat Casey and Jenic Jacobs seem to draw a large majority of their votes from the profession. Messrs. Williams, Morris and Beck are managers; Mr. Casey and Miss Jacobs are agents.

Votes cast for professionals for Judge are wasted. A great many more were thrown out this week. They do not count.

In the publishing of some bills submitted, an attempt has been made to cover a wide area, and to take most for publication from among those for-

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The blank space may be filled in with the name of any manager or agent preferred.

Any variety manager or agent in the United States and Canada eligible, including resident managers of theatres. (Any agent, male or female, connected with an agency may be voted for.)

(No vote for a professional or newspaper man will be counted.)

warded by laymen. The publication of the bills indicate nothing beyond the general idea that may be conveved by them. They are not selected for publication because of any special merit as far as VARIETY is interested.

VARIETY will give \$200 for the selections made for the best vaudeville programs submitted March 15. The person submitting the program selected as the winner will receive \$100; the second best, \$50; third. \$25; fourth, \$15; fifth, \$10. If two or more programs are similar for either prize, that amount will be divided equally among them.

There are no conditions to the con-It is open to all on this side or abroad, whether or not subscribers to VARIETY.

VOTE FOR JUDGE

(Votes received up to Jan. 4. a. m.)

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ROBERT DOUGHERTY	4
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JULE DELMAR	3
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GEO. F. DRISCOLL	3
MARTIN SAMPTER	3
AARON KESSLER	2
JOE PEARLSTEIN	
CARL REITER	2
HARRY MUNDORF	2

TRIVIAL CHARGES PREFERRED.

Several of the agents doing business in New York under a license have had trivial charges preferred of late. Pat Casey was charged with not having presented contracts to the Commissioner of Licenses office for approval, and one or two other small alleged infractions. The hearing was set down for Wednesday, when it was adjourned until Friday.

Some trepidation evidenced itself among the "representative" and "managers" late last week when the case of Paly Sanders was decided in a local magistrate court by the holding of Sanders for Special Sessions on the complaint of doing business as an agent without a license.

The former agents thought they saw in the Sanders case the commencement of a crusade by the License Commissioner against all bookers of acts. A representative of the Commissioner said that such was not the intention, and that the Sanders matter had accidentally fallen into the office.

BULGER'S "RENO" SKETCH."

"Reno" is the name of a skit written by Bozeman Bulger about a year ago. Mr. Bulger, who wrote "Swat Milligan" and "Curves" will present the "Reno" piece after "Curves" has stopped making homers for this seacon. That will happen when Christy Matthewson and "Big Chief" Meyers leave their baseballet to take to the green fields in the south for the spring varming up.

Within a few weeks Mr. Bulger expects to place May Tully and another in his latest. Miss Tully is now with "Curves."

Some Bills Submitted

Six Abdaliabs
Nat M. Wills
Four Fords
Laddie Cliff
Geo. Beban & Co.
Intermission. Intermission.

6 Musical Cuttys

7 Ed. F. Reynard

8 Alice Lloyd

9 Russian Dancers

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6 Laddle Cliff
7 Geo. Beban & Co.
8 Howard & North
9 Belieclaire Bros.

Wentworth, Vesta & Teddy Teddy
2 Primrose Four
3 "Idyl of Erin"
4 Seima Brautz
Intermission.
6 Carrie De Mar
7 Bowers, Waiters & "rooker
8 Frank Tinney
9 Odiva
MAY H. WALLICH,
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Baltimore.

1 Chassino
2 Ray Cox
3 Waterbury Bros. &
Tenney
4 Howard & North
1 Howard & Fulton
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0 Ed. F. Reynard
7 Julius Sieger
8 Cliff Gordon
9 Willy Pantzer
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Chip & Marble
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8 Vesta Tilley
9 Chas. Ahearn
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Hotel Grant, Chleago.

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6 Grace Hazard
7 McIntyre & Heath
8 Alice Lloyd
9 Annette Kellermann
L. TJIESE,
320 Barracks,
New Orleans.

Harry Lander Musical Cuttys Julius Steger Julian Eitinge Intermission.
6 Annette Kellermann
7 Alice Lloyd
8 Ed. F. Reynard
9 Song Revue.
ELEANOR GRAYCE,
1205 College Ave.,
Indianapolis.

Bird Millman Musical Cuttys
Hacy & Lee
Bothwell Browne
Julius Steger
Intermission.
Four Fords
Rice & Coben
Alice Lloyd
Paul Spadon
M. L. COHEN,
71 Sea St.,
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Kratons
Laddie Cliff
Ashley & Lee
Clarice Vance
Bedini & Arthur
Intermission. Intermission.
6 Four Readings
7 Alice Lloyd
8 Nat Wills
9 Karno Co.
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DeWitt Young
Cliff Gordon
Four Mortons
Rinaldo
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Musical Cuttys
Nat M. Wills
Valeric Bergere
Delmore & Lee
MISS J. MOORE,
50 E. 5 Ave.,
Columbus. Columbus.

Robledillio
Mcintyre & Heath
Annette Kellermann
Harry Lauder
Adelaide & Hughes
Intermission.
Goleman's Dogs
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Frank Keenan
Van & Beaumonts
Dollar Troupe
D. O. LYNCH,
119 Park Ave.,
Wilkes-Barre.

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7 Julius Steger & Co.
8 Harry Lauder
9 Barnold's Dogs
MURRAY BAUM,
Bar Tee,
Watkins, Colo.

Mason & Bart Mack & Walker Paul Creguvaih 3. Paul Cognivalh
4. Ethol Green
5. Julius Steper
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6. Berl Lestie
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London, Dec. 28.

For the start of the year many changes will develop over here in the vaudeville world. The event will, of course, be the blg Moss-Stoll split. The Moss Tour will be run about the same way as before, excepting the district managers will likely be located in London, nearly all the time. Four district managers will be kept on the iob. No announcement has been made regarding the Stoli side, or the plans of Mr. Stoll. With the Raladium there are three halls in London that play matinees daily. The Paladium is a gamble and a much talked about one at that. It is a big house and the bill for the opening week is an expensive one. Also the bookings that follow are said to be of the biggest. The prices will range from sixpence (12 cts.) to five shillings (\$1.25), practically the same as in the Coli-The building has been compared to the Coliseum, but to be truthful one must admit that the marble finish of the Coliseum has a little something on the Paladium. Another important feature of the new year is the inauguration of first class vaudeville into the provinces by Alfred Butt at the new Alhambra, Glasgow. Though nothing has been sald in regard to higher class vaudeville in the Provinces, It is safe to predict that should Glasgow take kindly to London Palace shows, the experiment will be tried in other big cities.

Moran and Tingley opened last week at the Alhambra. Though the dancers were handed the toughest spot that could have been found, they came away great. The boys were put on Monday night at almost eleven, after a long ballet. They stay at the Alhambra for four more weeks and then go for a trip around the Barrasford-Defrece time.

"Sumurum," a curtain ralser at the Deutches, Berlin, is reported to have been booked at the Coliseum early in the year.

"The Affinity," which John Lawson produced at the Palace, Manchester. opened at Hammersmith this week. The story is taken from Mr. Lawson's novelette in three chapters, which is entitled "Unripe Fruit." There is a "No. 2" company out on the Macnaghten Circuit. This seems to be a Lawson week about, for his protege, Vera Vaunders is at the Tivoli and Pavilion, Mrs. Cissie Lawson is at the Oxford in "Salley In Our Alley," and Lucille Sianey, (Mr. Lawson's leading lady), is at the Empire in "Continental Women."

The wife of J. W. Jackson, manager of the Jackson Troupe of dancers (at present in the revue at the Follie Bergere, Paris), has just pre-

sented her husband with a boy. She will remain in London for several weeks.

H. G. Pelissier is a clever fellow or he would not be so successful with his Follies Company which is working the year around, but when the Alhambra engaged him to put a review together he must have been in bad shape. The one he put over is very poor and then some. A review (spelled revue) is usually supposed to be a travesty on current events, and there should be a laugh a minute, but there are long waits between laughs here. One scene is a section of a theatre with the stage showing and Strauss's "Electra" being killed. The general idea of the "Revue" which is called "All Change Here," is not bad. It is the turning back of the clock a year and having 1910 live over again. But then Pelissier should not be judged too harshly, as others have tried revues in London but none ever seemed to amount to much, and this time the arranger was at least original.

The Victoria Palace, when it opens, will be another hall to play matinees. It will book with the Varieties Controlling Co. Contracts are now out calling for next summer engagements there.

Marie Schultz, at the Bedford last week, framed up a first class act for herself using a piano player and some special scenery. Having both a fine appearance, excellent voice and the proper material, Miss Schultz has a winner in her new act.

Al Wiser of Moran and Wiser is reported engaged to one of the Amati Slaters.

W. C. Fields, the juggler, is in London, playing Stoll time until Dec. 31, when he leaves for Vienna to play a month at the Apollo.

Herbert Lloyd deputised for Zena Dare at the Palace, Leicester, last week.

Meier and Mora are playing their first weeks in England since returning from the States.

Arthur Prince is again at the Palace after quite a long time away. In closing the show the ventriloquist is going as big as ever.

Mile. Silotta in a posing act, was at the Canterbury last week. In different poses the woman dressed in not much, uses a horse, a fine looking white steed, standing quite still outside of a twitching of the ears at times. The act falls in as much as the lighting is very bad and until the

PARIS NOTES

BY EDWARD G. KENDREW

Paris, Dec. 27.

Margaret Haney, who has been out of the Folies Bergere revue for ten days on account of ill health, is rapidly improving. It is anticipated, with no relapse, that she will return early in January. Gaby Deslys, whose iliness was perhaps less real, and who is at present on the banks of the Thames for Christmas, is due in Paris soon to rehearse for her roles in the revue.

Jacques Charles has had his first general meeting of friends who are backing him for his enterprise at the Olympia. M. Carmona, a Parisian banker, is said to be the prime mover.

Andre Charlot, late with Sherek & Braff, has opened his own office in Paris, at 29 Rue d'Argenteull, as impresario.

• The Folies Befgere has been crowded nightly since the revue commenced, the taking often reaching \$2,400.

proper equipment of spots is carried, the act will not be of much avail.

Last week (before Christmas) the halls were given an awful jolt. However, the Coliseum did capacity, with Lafayette and James Welch as the chief attractions. At the Palace, business was very good, with Anna Held as the draw.

Dort and Leanard at the Canterbury, can be given credit for having one of the funniest and best of "roughhouse" acts.

The MacNaughtons, who started too late to be in the pantomime running this year, have been engaged for the Grand, Glasgow, for the Moss panto next season. Wilkie Bard has also been grabbed up by this Glasgow management.

The Oxford Xmas program, included Little Tich, Joe Elvin, George Formby and Gertie Gitana. The Tivoli had Marie Lloyd, George Formby and Bransby Williams.

This is said to be a true story. An agent ln London, went out of town to see an act. He saw the act and liked it. The agent came back and practically booked it at a very small figure "just for a showing" in London. Upon going up to the office to secure the contract he was told the act had been booked through another agent and at a very fair salary. The agent who almost booked the act wants to know if this is according to Hoyle.

This week at Newcastle the Hippodrome bill contains the following Americans, Friend and Downing, Paul Barnes, Lawrence Crane and Rinaldo. and the receipts for the first month will probably attain \$67,000. P. L. Flers and E. Heros have already been charged with preparing the Folies Bergere revue for 1912.

The Theatre des Nouveautes, on the Boulevard des Italiens, will be demolished in July for city improvements. It is proposed to cut a street through the site where the old theatre now stands.

At the Etoile Palace, always a straight vaudeville show, Colette Wliiy has been engaged for Jan. 13, In a sketch. M. Combes also proposes to put on a small ballet with the Papurello troupe. The management offered a supper to all artists in Parls who cared to accept, on Christmas eve. Fully 150 were present at this friendly gathering, which was followed by the traditional speeches and a dance.

Among the continental acts engaged by Manager Jesse L. Lasky for the opening of the New York Folles Bergere, are the Three Robertys, Four Oyra-Oyra troupe, and Simone de Beryl.

"Rhodope," a comic opera by Louis Ganne, has just been produced at the Casino opera house, Monte Carlo. Variety, is on file regularly in the superb reading room of the Casino at Monte Carlo.

At the Cigale a new revue by Paul Ardot and Laroche is due middle of January. This will be followed by a similar show by G. Arnauld, Dominique Bonnaud and Numa Bles (the latter two being Montmartre chansonniers). The summer revue will be by G. Nanteuil and H. de Gorsse.

Fregoli is due at the Olympla Jan.

1. During the last week of "Vive Paris" we have Cleo de Merode.

A Revue by C. Quinel and E. Joullot is being rehearsed at the Moulin Rouge for presentation early in January—in spite of the advertised success of "Claudine." It ran about eight weeks. Mile. Yrven, of the Palais Royal, is engaged by J. Fabert for the new Moulin Rouge production.

At Marseilles Dec. 15 a demonstration of the most violent description took place at the Municipal Opera, during the performance of "Siguard." When a tenor, M. Luscas, who was objected to, appeared on the stage he was pelted amid the uproar with articles of all kinds. The performance had to be stopped.

Back numbers of Variety, are on sale in Paris at the Librarle Etrangere, 37 Rue St. Augustin (Place de l'Opera). Current numbers will be found at the principal newspaper kisoques on the grand boulevards.

ALL THE BIG CIRCUS PEOPLE IN THE SHOWMEN'S ASSOCIATION

Meeting at Chicago Elects H. H. Tammen, President, with a Ringling Seconding the Nomination. Building Up to Stand Off Billposters' Ass'n., and Other Things

Chicago, Jan. 5.

The Palmer House, last Thursday and Friday, was the scene of an important meeting of circus proprietors. Never before in arenic history have go many showmen met in the same room or even under the same roof. The purpose of the meeting had been explained by Ralph Peckham, special agent of the Ringling Bros., when he paid a visit to various showmen during the past few months, at the behest of the Baraboo Bros. Peckham secured a bond from every prominent circus proprietor that he would come to this meeting or be officially represented.

The Showmen's Association was organized Thursday afternoon, by each party to the organization putting up a \$5,000 bond to abide by the mandates of the league. Harry Tammen was elected president; J. J. Kelley, an attorney from Baraboo, was made secretary, and R. M. Harvey, treasurer. The three shows owned by Ringling Bros., (Barnum & Bailey, Ringling Bros. and Forepaugh-Sells); the Hagenback-Wallace Show, Sells-Floto Show, Miller Bros. & Arlington's "101 Ranch Wild West," Gollmar Bros., Buffalo Bill's "Wild West," Gentry's Circus, and the John Robinson Show constituted the original signers to the compact. The "Two Bills" Show was not represented, but in telegraphic communication with Maj. Gordon W. Lillie, at Pawnee, Okla., the organizers of the Showmen's Association secured his allegiance. Thursday aft ernoon the Mighty Haag Shows and Sun Bros. Circus were admitted to membership.

The purpose of the organization was said to be for mutual benefit and protection; the matter of "covering paper," fairness in "opposition" fights, protesting high licenses and other matters which would concern the welfare of various circus organizations were accounted for in the constitution and by-laws, but all these details paled into insignificance before the immediate work of resisting the demands of the National Association of Billposters (owners of the posting plants throughout the country) for an increase of rates which promised to range from twenty per cent, to sixty per cent... according to varying sized towns.

The Board of Directors of the Billposters Association was in session at the Auditorium on the same days that the circus men held forth at the The show men met Palmer House. here on schedule to be in town when the billposting magnates were on hand.

Harry Tammen, Edward Arlington, Charles Ringling, R. M. Harvey and John Robinson were named as a committee to present to the Billposters Association the demands of the circus

proprietors, on Friday morning. The document called for (a) the elimination of all tickets to local billposters, (b) credit for two cents per sheet for all paper posted by circus billposters on boards owned by local billposters, (c) an allowance of sixteen and twothirds per cent. on all posting bills to conform with the present commission paid to advertising solicitors by the association for business secured from commercial advertisers, (d) a fair chance at good locations in association towns where national advertisers have heretofore been given preference in the matter of choice display.

Directors Link, Robbins, McAleney and Chennelle of the Billposters As-. sociation, refused to consider the showmen's proposition at the Friday morning meeting, and made a counter proposition, which the circus owners never discussed further than its initial clause, i. e., that the circuses should agree to accept the association's schedule of rates. When the circus men asked what those rates would be the billposters refused to say; when it was intimated that the increase would not be more than two per cent, above previous rates the showmen offered to accept that basis and agree to accepting rates. The billposters, however, would not stipulate that they were willing to limit the increase to two per cent. and said further that their new schedule had not been compiled. This was at the second session between the circus men and billposters.

After a lengthy discussion of the subject of rates, the billposters said their new schedule would be ready by Jan. 23, and it was agreed that the same circus committee should come to Chicago on that date, meet the directors of the billposters organization, with both committees empowered to act, and then adjust if possible all of the details of the situation. Everybody concerned then took the first train, to spend New Year's at home.

The gathering of showmen, at the Palmer House, was notable in that all factions of circusdom were represented. Warrior Wallace placed the name of Warrior Tammen in nomination for the presidency, and Warrior Ringling seconded the motion. Tammen said he would take it if there should be no "vice" president; he would be the whole thing or nothing. He was accorded the honor unanimously by a rising vote. R. M. Harvey was chosen treasurer because of his well known care in editing expense accounts. As something like \$50,000 would be in the treasury, the "bosses" felt safe in entrusting their coin to the man who made Perry, Ia., famous.

Louis E. Cooke was the most missed man imaginable; a gathering of circus notables which did not include that well known hotel keeper seemed to be no gathering at all. Ralph Peckham, Harry Earl, J. D. Newman, W. H. Horton, Sam McCracken and Charley Wilson completed the Ringling representation. Ed C. Knupp was here with young Johnny Robinson; Henry Gentry and J. B. Austin looked after the pony and dog show interests: Ed C. Warner came on with Tammen from the Rockies and Eddie Arlington came all the way from Brooklyn to do his share in whatever scrapping might fall due.

The rotunds of the Palmer House was flooded with camp followers. Arch Donaldson, Al W. Martin, "Bunk" Allen, Tim Keeler, Harry Potter, Vernon C. Seavers, J. H. Rowe, Dave Jarrett, F. C. Cooper, Al Campbell and enough circus agents to equip all the Ringling shows circled around in the offing and discussed the probabilities of the outcome. Circus men seemed to fairly rise up from the ground where they had been hibernating. By Friday midnight they had disappeared.

WRITING THE LIFE OF "BILLS."

At Roscoe, N. Y., up in the Showangnu mountains, Frank Winch is writing and hunting. When hunting, foxes are the game, and at writing the life histories of Buffalo Bill and Pawnee Bill are being recorded.

Each scenario has been sketched out, waiting but the approval of the two noted plainsmen, when Mr. Winch will complete the authentic biographies. They will be in eight volumes. The first edition is to be sold at \$100 per set. It has already been subscribed for. Illustrations obtained from private sources will decorate the pages.

With the approach of spring, Mr. Winch will again assume his duties as general press representative for the Buffalo Bill Wild West and Pawnee Bill Far East. A complete roster of the show for the coming season will be complete within a few weeks.

STARTING INDOOR SHOW.

Pittsburg, Jan. 5.

With Bill Rice promoting and Sydney Wire booming, an indoor circus now being organized here has secured an excellent start. Six of the eight stands to be made have been contracted for, all excepting one carrying a guarantee.

The show will travel with about 100 people, including thirty acts and a band. It will tour Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia. Messrs. Rice and Wire are making their headquarters at the Lyceum Building, this city, while preparing the circus.

ELEPHANT ON RAMPAGE.

Waterproof, La., Jan. 5.

An elephant with M. L. Clark & Sen's show broke loose when the circus played here and did all kinds of damage before taken into custody. Owner Clark settled in full.

BILLS NEXT WEEK

NEW YORK. MANHATTAN O. H.
Valeska Suratt and
Concy and Bent
Avon Comedy Four
Oscar Loraine
Mr. and Mrs. Mark
Murphy
Chassino
Kessler and Lee
Capt. Nat Ressler
The Levettes
AMERICAN.
Geo. Lashwood Nat Wills
Ward and Curran
Fox and Millerships
Deviin and Eliwood
Simons and Eliwood
Limiting Liwels Simons and Leona Juggling Jeweis Callan and Smith Saona COLONIAL Charles Grapewin and Co.

John B. Hymer and Lashwood Co. Smith and Melnotte Sisters Trovato Great Golden Troupe Arthur Deagon Cunningham and Marion Four Seldons ALHAM BRA. Gertrude Hoffmann McConnell and Simpson Montgomery and Moore
Four Bards
Williams and Tucker
Frosini Frosini Frank Hartley Edith Leroy Leroy and Bart Burt Lillian Burt and Picks Musical Lowe Chas. Matthews Varadys Mile. Berthe Dora Martini PLAZA. Adele Ritchie Boston Fadottes Wm. J. Kelly and Co. Ed. Blondeli and McConneil and
Simpson
Smith and Campbell
"The Mayor and
the Manicure"
Three Livingstons
Leon Rogoe
Yankee and Dixle
Anna Chandler
Bootblack Quartet
BRONX.
Gabriel and La Mar Blondell and GRUNK.

Gabriel and La Mar

"The Little Stranger" Juggling Jordans The Bicknelis The Bicknells
Von Hoff
Jack Ark
Willard's Circus
Honey Johnson
Four Jones
Alva York
Harry Mayo
Hubert Deven Beatrice Ingram and Co. Henry Clive World and Kingston Vittoria and Georg-Aiva York
Harry Mayo
Hubert Deveau
'ULTON.
Al. Walts
Murphy and Francis Vittoria and Georgetta
Conlin, Steele and
Carr
Delro
Paul Spadoni
FIFTH AVENUE.
Rogers and Kolb
"The Sliver Bottle"
Mrs. Garuner Crane
and Co.
Hocy and Lee
Taylor, Krans and
White
Lorch Family
Ray Cos cis Howards Nina Esphey Frank Augustine and Frank Augustine a
Co.
Homer Barnet
Cycling Demons
Atwood and Terry
Zieguner Quartet
Billy K. Weils
Dora Martini
HAMMERSTEIN'S.
Irene Franklin

Ray Cox Will H. Fox Sansone and Delila CHICAGO.

AMERICAN.
Ross and Fenton
Four Norrils
John Ford
Al. Fields Al. Fleids
Free Setters
Tyler and Burton
Harry Brown a and Co. Aibini Josie and Willio Barrows Fields and Coco Scott Bros.

Aisace and Lor-Alsace and Lorraine
MAJESTIC.
Ciarice Mayne
Chip and Marble
Rameses
McKay and Cantwell
"High Life in Jail"
Art Bowon
Swor and Mack Art Bowen Swor and Mack Bison City Quartet Krags Trio

OBITUARY.

Richard Webster dropped dead Sunday in a boarding house just opposite the Alhambra, Harlem, where he appeared last week in "The Little Stranger." The deceased created the character part of the old darkey in the sketch. Death was due to heart failure.

Guy Carlton, the well known playwright, author of "A Gilded Fool," and other pieces, is dead at his cottage in Hot Springs. He had been ill for a long time and since going to Arkansas was working on a play which he never completed. A combined attack of rheumatism and paralysis are said to have caused his demise. Two sisters of the deceased at present traveling in Europe, were notified.

Frederick Brown, of Buffalo, a circus performer, in making a balloon ascension at Havana, Dec. 26, collided with a building, fell 100 feet and was killed.

Mary Louise Victor, mother of Leonard C., and C. Victor, died Dec. 13, at her home in Borough Park, Brooklyn, N. Y. Deceased was 74 years of age at death.

TWO FILM COMPANIES RESTRAINED BY INJUNCTIONS

Champion and Yankee Corporations Hard Hit. Patents Co. Upheld — Judge Says Cameras Infringe Edison Patents

Just as the picture realm was preparing to celebrate the New Year, its holiday quietude was disturbed by a court decision, Dec. 30, that furnished much food for gossip. It was the granting of a preliminary injunction by Judge Lacombe of the United States Circuit Court against the Champion Film Co. using an infringing camera.

The action was brought by the Motion Picture Patents Co. against the Champion (Independent) enjoising it from infringing the Edison camera patent, reissue No. 12,037. The Gaumont camera, which certain of the "Independents" insisted was non-infringing, was brought before the court, which decided the Gaumont was also an infringement as was a modified Gaumont produced by the defendant.

The application for an injunction was filed some time ago, but not until the latter part of last week did the judge render his decision, accompanied by an opinion in which the court discussed the merits of the Gaumont camera.

The final paragraph of the opinion reads as follows "The conclusion is reached that the Champion-Gaumont and the Gaumont machines infringe. It is conceded that the Pathe machine, one of which is owned by the defendant, also infringes. This and its Champion-Gaumont may, as suggested, be impounded in the custody of defendant's counsel until final hearing. Preliminary injunction may issue."

Following the announcement that Judge LaCombe had granted a preliminary injunction against the Champion came another body blow to the "Independents" Tuesday morning, when the court decided against the Yankee Film Co., in the suit of the Motion Patents Co. to enjoin that company from infringing the Edison camera patent, resissue No. 12.037.

The court repeated the ruling made against the Champion Co., and it looks like breakers ahead for the Atlas Film Co., which is also facing the same process of litigation for alleged infringement of the Edison camera patent.

William Steiner the prime factor in the Yankee Co., declined to ma'te any kind of statement regarding the decision when seen by a VARIETY, representative.

It is understood that separate bills of complaint have been filed against individuals, including William Steiner, Herbert Miles, C. V. Henkle and Joseph Miles, all of these actions being based upon alleged infringement of the Edison camera patents.

Some of the leading "Independents" told a Variety representative that as far as they could see the rulings in the Champion and Yankee cases would not have any great effect upon the Independent trade inasmuch as there were sufficient non-infringing cameras to keep the trade supplied.

Mark Dittenfass, the head of the Champion Film Co., when seen had no statement to make other than the decision put him out of business as far as picture making was concerned but that he would not suspend active operations, as he had received seven negatives from Europe Wednesday which would be completed for the market.

Dittentass has practically decided to secure foreign negatives and continue to print pictures under the Champion trade-mark.

"EDUCATIONAL" INDEPENDENT.

Unless present plans go awry a new motion picture concern will be in full operation by the middle of February, which from all reports will place its product with the Sales Company.

Men behind the project say that none of the Independent manufacturers are specializing on educational and natural scenic films and that the new company will make this its feature.

C. E. Van Steinberg of New York and another financier are interested in the deal. Nearly \$60,000 has already been put up and by the time the first film is released the company expects to have a capital of over \$100,000, according to report.

Several sites are under consideration. Charles Wynard, formerly cinematographer for the Habeck Film Co., who has done much camera work for the C. P. R. railroad, will act in the same capacity for the new concern.

LEGISLATION TO REGULATE.

During the session of the Legislature it is almost a certainty that Commissioner of Accounts Raymond B. Fosdick will recommend legislation for the more strict supervision of motion picture houses, and the refusal of admission to children under 16 years, unaccompanied to picture theatres by their parents. Legislation by the fire department and board of health will also be urged.

This appeal to the lawmakers comes as a result of a year's investigation of the sanitary condition, fire exits, fire escapes and the complaints that pictures demoralize the children, ordered by Mayor Gaynor.

Commissioner Fosdick has not overlooked a single bet. He has been assisted in his report by theatre proprietors, managers, employees, fire department officials and others.

MIGHT TRY POST CARD VIEWS.

Jack McAuliffe, well known pugilistically, tried hard to secure a permit from Mayor Flizgerald of Boston to exhibit lantern slide pictures of the Johnson-Jeffries fight, but couldn't make the ripple. He called to see his honor in person, but there wasn't anything doing. Both films and slides are now tabooed in Bostontown.

FIGHT WAXES HOT.

Chicago, Jan. 5.

Although a rumor has gained considerable credence outside of Chicago that the Licensed and Independent exchanges were slashing prices right and left, neither faction is cutting rentals any more than usual. Both sides are hot after business with the market about evenly divided.

The General Film Company looks after local Licensed trade, while the Independents have seven exchanges. The field has been reduced during the past year by many exclusively picture places returning to former storeroom condition, particularly in Chicago, where the "ten-twent" houses, with pictures and vaudeville, have put the small theatres, featuring pictures only, out of business.

Several prominent moving picture men of New York told a Variety representative this week that they understood that Chicago rental prices had been reduced to such an extent by both sides that neither was reaping much profit, although the exhibitors had benefited accordingly.

MONTAGU WITH SELIG.

E. H. Montagu, connected with Pathe Freres for six years, and at present is in charge of the publicity department, severed his relations with that firm Dec. 31.

Jan. 7 he will become traveling representative for the Selig Co., his territory being Europe, Asia and Africa.

Licensed film men say that Montagu holds the record for selling more feet of film in one month than any other salesman, his mark being over a million. Mr. Montagu established the Pathe office in Chicago.

FORMING A NEW COMPANY. Philadelphia, Jan. 5.

Eberhart Schneider, the "original independent," who is widely known in the camera printing world and has been active in fighting "opposition" for eight years, is busily engaged in forming a picture company to be capitalized at five million dollars.

INJUNCTION GRANTED.

A temporary injunction has been granted by a Supreme Court judge restraining the Yankee Film Co. from using the name "Buffalo Bill" in any advertising or billing.

FILM CO. A MANAGER.

New Orleans, Jan. 5.

The lease of the Wintergarden has been taken over by the General Film Co. It will be operated as a straight moving picture house in the future.

Formerly the Wintergarden has been playing "pop" vaudeville and other forms of amusement.

MUST BE PROVEN.

Milwaukee, Jan. 5.

Judge Halsey of this city has handed down a decision which is causing some talk among the picture showmen. He holds that a picture show in construction cannot be restrained as a nuisance until it is finished and proven so.

PHOTOPLANE CO. IN ACTION.

The company to deal in the latest invention in picture invention, "The Photoplane" (or "Daylight Picture") has been formed. It is known as the Motionplane Co., with offices at 1493 Broadway, New York. John J. Murdock is president.

The feasibility of presenting moving pictures in a bright light has been successfully demonstrated by this process, after years of fruitless effort by many ingenious workers on moving picture ideas.

"The Photoplane" has been placed in many of the large vaudeville theatres, where it has been found that "pictures closing the show" in the full light of the theatre adds to the program what is actually another act, instead of a "chaser."

DESERT "LICENSED" RANKS.

A. Warner and H. A. Lande, formerly with the DuQuesne Film Co., Pittsburg, which has been absorbed by the General Film Co. have organized the Pittsburg Photoplay Co., and have closed a contract with the Sales Co. (Independent.)

Mr. Warner has been in New York several days. He says his company will handle eighteen reels weekly within the next fortnight.

The Warner-Lande faction takes over quite a number of their former film exhibitors. They have been in the picture business for years. Mr. Lande was the former president of the DuQuesne Co., and Mr. Warner the treasurer.

PICTURES RED CROSS ALLY.

Chicago, Jan. 5.

Red Cross Seal Christmas stamps had a big sale here as the result of a new plan tried by the people behind the seal distribution. Through the exhibition of a certain film showing the fight against tuberculosis the sale of "Red Seals" was aided materially.

Two Red Cross nurses sold \$125 worth of stamps at the Orpheum; \$25 worth was sold at George Gilmore's Ideal, and \$20 was taken in at the Glamour.

PICTURE NOTES.

Dorothy Davenport, aged 17 years, formerly in vaudeville, who is a grand-daughter of Fanny Davenport, is now a member of the Reliance stock company

Benjamin Mindlin, president of the Liberty theatre. Brooklyn, has leased the larger part of the market building, built three years ago at the corner of Ames street and Pitkin avenue, and I as turned it into a picture house.

Charles E. Fein has been appointed as the new manager of the Penn, Brooklyn, a picture house.

Bob Leonard, juvenile, has severed his connection with the Hartman Comic Opera Company to rejoin the Selig moving picture stock company.

J. B. Sherry, leading character actor of the Bison company, is mourning the loss of his wife, who died recently after a brief illness.

VARIETY'S PICTURE REVIEWS

"THE MISPLACED PETTICOAT." (Pathe.)
A comedy subject that will receive laughter. It also contains a gentle "rap" at the custom of tipping as practiced by servants abroad. A guest at a hotel is a non-tipper. The next apartment is occupied by a woman who is quite liberal. As the male guest leaves he gives instructions that his baggage be brought to the hotel office. The woman also starts on a journey. She forgets a petitooat. The maid discovers the garment and hastens after the departing guest. In the hall she meets the porter who has not been tipped by the man. He tells the maid the grip he has is that of the female guest and places the petitocat into the bag. Arriving, the man's wife discovers the strange undergarment and decides upon a divorce. Visiting an attorney the wife of the attorney claims the garment. A four-cornered row is started that ends properly of course.

FRED.

"THE DOCTOR'S SECRETARY" (Gaumont).
An ordinary picture well photographed.
There is little action and the story drags. The
Gaumont people must have been shy of subjects when this picture was framed. MARK.

"THE YAQUI GIRL" (Pathe).

An Indian girl of the Yaqui tribe falls in love with a Mexican troubador, whom she finds out is none other than a bold highwayman and in love with another. The picture jumps the traces of consistency at intervals. The arranger has taken liberties with Indian cunning, Mexican treachery and a form of punishment which lacks proper conception. Not badly photographed, but weak in construction.

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MARK.

"THE ARGONAUTS" (Selig.).

The subject is one that holds the interest, well acted amid a delightful stage setting.

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"DUTCH KIDS" (Pathe).

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A film of the travel series. It shows peril and pleasure of the little Hollanders to-day. The picture is not over-interesting

"CLANCY" (Vitagraph).

A picture framed for the holidays, but which will fill in acceptably at any time. Some of the details silp a cog occasionally, but there is enough realism to keep the interest keyed up. Views of New York's "finest" on parade are shown. They help. Clancy, a cop. has a hand-to-hand encounter with the "gang," and is taken home in bad shape. He recovers in time to enjoy New Year's with his family. The audience involuntarily applauded the round-up of the gang. Fairly well photographed.

MARK.

"WHEN LOVERS PART" (Kalem).

"WHEN LOVERS PART" (Kalem).
A stern Southerner forbids his daughter keeping company with a nice-looking young man for no reason apparently, but the Civil War atmosphere changes the complexion completely. The old man is brought home dead and a coffin seene puts an uncanny touch to the picture. The girl's former sweetheart returns in soldier uniform and all ends well. Pretty seenic points along the St. John's river in Fiorida are shown.

MARK.

"THE ROMANCE OF HEFTY BURKE"

(Edison).

The scenario for this subject is by Richard Harding Davis. As usual he has taken a South American revolution for the theme. However, the nicture deals only with the New York end. The story lacks an interest at times and is a trifle varue. The setting of the scene where a cottage is made the boarding-house of the longshoremen is also out of keeping with New York. The picturing is good , but a South American end to the story would have made the film of greater value. FRED.

"CATALAN. THE MINSTREL" (Pathe).
A very pretty colored film of "Ye Dayes of Olde." when the rulers of the kingdoms of the world had a court jester and singing minstrel for their own amusement. The story is well told by a capable cast and it holds. Coloring particularly effective.

"CARNIVAL OF JAPANESE FIREMEN IN TOKIO" (Pathe).

An interesting photographic reproduction of the various feats that Japanese firemen can accomplish on their long bamboo ladders. The interest largely develops through the comparisons that the audience will make with American fire-fighting methods. Picturing fair.

"IN FULL CRY" (Pathe). The scene of the stag swimming in the water with a pack of bounds in close pursuit is worth seeins. The stag bunt in France is excellently reproduced and the picture is interesting. The stag is killed and skinned at the windup, not pleasing.

MARK. "THE GIRL SPY BEFORE VICKSBURG" (Kalem).

(Kalem).

A war story laid amid beautiful scenes in the south. The leading woman does some excellent work as the spy, who joins an ammunition convoy under cover and blows up the powder wagon. The arranger has taken certain liberties to work up the spirit, but there are several incidents that don't bear close inspection.

MARK.

"THE ARTIST'S PAY DAY" (Gaumont).
An ordinary story told in an ordinary manner. A robber passes himself off as an artist. A richly dressed woman falls in love with him. The action is confined practically to two interior scenes. Little acting is required. The idea is not impossible, yet offers little entertainment.

MARK.

"RUNNING AWAY FROM A FORTUNE"

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The old Paths "chase" is worked up with the same old result. The theme is a little far-fetched. A fortune is left to a tattooed man, whose dog runs away with the will, which is dropped by a lawyer into a box of dynamite. The chase is over-done and there is no real humor in the falls by the principals. The dog does the best acting. The camera did good work on a poor idea.

MARK.

"THE AMERICAN FLBET IN FRENCH WATERS" (Pathe).
One sees little of the fleet. The Louisiana is shown with the admiral's flag and a little later a few of the sailors are landed in launches and that's about all.

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"THE REDEEMED CRIMINAL" (Essanay).

Two men rob a bank. One is caught and put through the "third degree." He refuses to give bis pai away and after a short trial, is sentenced for twenty years. The "pal" becomes a preacher and has a son, who loves a woman of society. She has a diamond neck-lace, which gives the released convict another whirl at the story. He "pinches" it, but through old friendship, is saved from the police by the parson, who locks the jewel in his safe. The son discovers it and has his beliefs. The father dons his thleving armor and takes back the diamonds. More business of the "pais" giving each other fifty-three varieties of ugly looks, with a finish that is mock heroics. The preacher reforms the convict and lands him a position of trust. Not only that, but he places him in the bosom of his family, which bobbed in the picture for a few minutes at the close. The story is exaggerated. Photography fair. MARK.

V. C. C. ELECTS OFFICERS.

With the passing of 1910 the Vaudeville Comedy Club's annual election was held to install the governing officers for the ensuing year, and the adopting of a new constitution that the changed order of affairs made necessary.

An elective body known as the Board of Control will have the direction of the club.

The Board consists of the officers and in addition nine members elected as controllers.

The officers elected at the meeting Thursday night of last week are:

Frank J. Otto, president; Homer B. Mason, first vice-president; Bob Matthews, second vice-president; Roland West, third vice-president; James J. Morton, secretary; Harry Denton, treasurer (re-elected).

The additional members of the Board of Control are:

Class A-Charles H. Smith, Bert Leslie, Gene Hughes, Ren Shields, Ernest Otto: classes B and C-Jos. M. Schenck, George Wilson, Samuel Mc-

Though the weekly meetings will be discontinued, the "Clown Nights" will remain a feature of the club life. They, as usual, will be held every Thursday evening.

Rice and Cohen may return to the American for a run of four weeks, changing their sketch weekly, after appearing at the Morris houses in the west. The act plays at the American New Orleans, next Monday.

GETTING A START IN VAUDEVILLE

By J. A. Murphy.

Blackjack, Wis., Jan. 3.

Dear Ed:

Well, here we are with the pure food show and it is a funny engagement. The exhibit is arranged in a large vacant store, crowded all day with visitors. They had a platform built for Pickitt and myself in the centre, surrounded by prunes, moodles and onions.

We had arranged a double turn like this: Open with march, banjo duet, song with banjo accompaniment, some cross-fire jokes, then my wooden shoe dancing, followed by a lively song with banjo obligato and dance off at finish.

When we started to play our banjo duet a band at the other end of the room tore loose and drowned us out. When they got through we started again, but a man got up behind us and commenced to lecture and demonstrate a fireless cooker. When he got through Pickitt announced to the crowd that I was the champion wooden shoe dancer of Calgary. I started to dance, but a girl across the room commenced to hand out dill pickles on a silver fork and the crowd all left me.

Pickitt said he would take a turn at it and sing them a song, but in the middle of his song an old lady pulled his coat and asked if we were going to give out any mince meat.

We thought we would try our double song and dance with the banjos, but the porter laughed so loud that everybody watched him. Some one in the crowd remarked that if they were going to give a performance it was a wonder they didn't give a good one.

I commenced to feel an awful burning across my chest. I could not imagine what it was and as there was no dressing room in the place I had no chance to investigate. They closed up the food show at six o'clock, so I rushed over to my room at the hotel and tore off my shirt. My chest was flery red and full of blisters and I found that the undershirt I put on that morning had been wrapped around a little bottle of Jamaica ginger that mother had put in my trunk when I left home. The cork had worked out of the bottle and the ginger spilled on the shirt and dried there. It was worse than any mustard plaster I ever met.

The one good thing about this engagement is that there is no night work.

Pickitt and I have decided to work together right along and think we can do a good double act. We are having a folder printed with our portraits on the front and under the pictures it says

PICKITT AND PYKER America's Greatest Protean Artists, Banjoists, Vocalists and Comedians. All Material Positively Original.

I had some doubt about that last line as I am telling a lot of Charlie Case's stories, but Pickitt said Case would never play around here, so I let it go. I hope we get a job next week.

Newcons Puker.

BERE'S BILLY GOULD

By William Gould.

Friends, William Burress, with "The Spring Maid" is a brave man. He tries to sing. Oh Billy, why?

Denman Maley, one of the hands in the Lew Fields production, says that his crew will get hostile at the Circle theatre next Monday. Successful crop. Den.

John Henshaw is about to spring an "all star musical comedy cast" in a vaudeville sketch. It is to consist of Alex Clark, Tom Leary. John Henshaw and three other stars-not working.

A tale of "Good Resolutions."

Jan. 1, 1911.

I will not drink.

I will not smoke.

I will not lie. I will not flirt.

I will not stay out late at night.

Jan. 7, 1911.

I will not drink.

I will not lie.

I will not stay out late at night.

Jan. 14, 1911.

I will not drink.

Jan. 21, 1911.

Have I a good memeory? Well, I guess yes. I can remember when Jas. J. Morton and John C. Rice made their last appearance on the stage. Of course this is going too far back for the present generation of vaudevillians.

Old Dr. Cook is here. I hope he wont, but I'm afraid he will. If he does I don't think he'll draw a dollar.

Well, never mind, boys, it'looks as if next season will be a great season for us. Pass the poison, Doctor.

Every actor and actorine 1 meet informs me they are ging to be in Lew Fields Winter Garden production. If they are all telling the truth the Winter Garden will have to be the Hippodrome, only larger.

My old pal. Smiley Corbett, is about to open a restaurant in Chicago to be called the Lamb's Cafe. Save me a table, Bill, three times a day, as long as you run the place. Ditto, says Charlie Grapewin.

If atmosphere means anything Edna Goodrich Goodwin should star in "Nobody's Widow." (You'll have to read the daily papers to get this one.)

"606" is the gig some of the boys are playing these days. (It will take a doctor to dissect this one, and it's a good tip.)

I wish I were back home in Paris, France.

Rogers and Kolb are billed to play the Fifth Avenue next week.

NEW ACTS NEXT WEEK

Anna Chandler, Alhambra.
Chas. Matthews, American.
Simons and Leonard, Hammerstein's.
Rogers and Kolb, Fifth Avenue.
"The Silver Bottle," Fifth Avenue.
Four Jones, Plaza.

Bernard and Weston. Music and Songs. 25 Mins.; One. Hammerstein's.

Mike Bernard and Willie Weston have traveled through the west as a team. The partnership was formed in New York when Mr. Bernard last played here as a single. At that time Weston was a member of a burlesque show. The boys have a very good turn, coming under the heading Bernard with his of "piano acts." playing, and Weston, in character Mike flays his songs, each score. own composition, "Tickling Rag" to open, and afterwards has a couple of piano solos, remaining as accompanist Of his for the Weston numbers. solos, one is employed to allow the audience to see Bernard's marvelous fingering, although this also becomes evident in the second selection, a medley of popular airs, where Mike gives a wonderful performance on the piano in his imitation of a fife and drum As an accompanist Bernard corps. has a little something on anyone at the keyboard, for his faculty of improvising variations gives a different aspect to the playing in comparison with the usual run of accompanists. Weston works in "straight" dress, singing songs in negro, "Yiddish," Italian and Scotch dialects. His "Yiddish" and "rag" are the best. Weston gave an excellent vocal impersonation of Bert Williams, and had the colored comedian's gestures also. Appearing at 10.30 at Hammerstein's, Tuesday night, after having played the same evening at the Orpheum, Brooklyn, the boys found a hard house before them, but remained on the stage twenty-five minutes. It is too Eighteen minutes would have used up the meat of their act, and stamped them just as big. Weston might forego the Scotch, and Mike could do away with the Paderewski piece.

Diving Mermaids (2). 9 Mins.; Full Stage. Hammerstein's Roof.

Boston may once have been the incubator for turning out theological sharks, but it is now the home of water nymphs and diving mermaids. Rose Pitnoff will have to look after Boston's laurels if the water sprites keep coming as strong as these latest importations from the Hub. Two young women with pleasing physical proportions use a tank similar to the one Miss Pitnoff employs, and there is also a similarity of dives. A novelty is the double diving. On this alone the girls can hope to attain recognition. On single dives the market seems to have been pretty well cornered by others. The Diving Mermaids look well and dive well. The act gives satisfaction. Each dive Mark. is announced.

Valeska Suratt and Co. (11.)
"Bouffe Variety" (Musical Comedy).
33 Mins.; Three (6); One (3); Three
(23) One (1); (Special Sets and Drops).

Hammerstein's.

In placing a production beneath Valeska Suratt in vaudeville this time, it comes out just the same-Valeska Suratt. Miss Suratt, her figure, walk, looks and gowns, particularly the latter. In the new act named "Bouffe Variety," or as the program had it, ("Bouffes Varieties") Miss Suratt changes costume several times, appearing often with song, sometimes with dialog, mostly "locals." When she is not present there are incidents. indulged in by a chorus of eight "chicks." For further variation in the carrying out of the title a couple of dances are slipped in. The second is by Jos. C. Smith, with a young woman. Mr. Smith, who staged the act, does quite well in the limited opportunity permitted. Previously Miss Suratt and Fletcher Norton have a soirce together. Mr. Norton is the sub-feature of the production. Vincent Bryan wrote the story. Ray Goetz and Al Piantadosa the music. The entire affair has the proper swing, but it needs action just as fast as the piece has been written to carry it through. The music starts off at race horse speed, and sort of signals that there will be something doing right off the reel, with the pace kept up. 'There is something doing, but everything including the music seems to slow up. One error has been that in the selection of chorus girls none with good voices were chosen. The chorus vocally is hardly a chorus at all. The girls ruin all the songs and music, but work hard otherwise. An opening set of "Springtime" is pretty, with Miss Suratt on one end of a teter. The act rushes into "one" for the "Winter" song, going back into 'three," and a different set, plain but handsome. The theme of the sketch seems to be a rehearsal. Miss Suratt wears a large crinoline while singing. "When Broadway Was a Pasture," and goes in for a little comedy by the manipulation of the skirt. Mr. Norton sang "The French Flip Flop," but did not have proper assistance from the chorus, though Monday afternoon at Hammerstein's perfection could have been expected. In a "society circus" again led by Norton, but little resulted, though that chap is a good performer in his line. With an Oriental number, and the dances mentioned, the long rest in "three' finally resulted in a wedding march with Miss Suratt dressed as a bride, she and Norton walking out of "three" through the street drop into "one" for an exit. The finish isn't strong, for two or three reasons. A production is there. without special novelty. The chorus is nicely dressed, though there is some clashing of colors. Considering that Valeska Suratt is in the piece, this is something different to present her in. If "The Belle of Broadway" has retained her variety drawing powers, the "Bouffe" should do. It's like the teter, too long for its depth. Sime.

Rawson and Clare are playing in Chicago, after touring over the west for thirty weeks.

Amelia Stone and Armand Kaliss.
"Mon Amour" (Operatic).
20 Min.; Four (Interior).
Majestic, Chicago.

Miss Stone and husband have finally taken vaudeville seriously. It is a pleasure to record that they progress vastly better in Edgar Wolf's connected story, decked with music by Mr. Kalisz, than they did a few months ago when seeming to "just happen" and were evidently content at that time to pick up an odd week at this theatre. As for Miss Stone she is all that lovely woman, equipped with a beautiful voice and frocked stunningly can expect to be. For her present venture she carries, beside Mr. Kalisz, a director, a maid and a needle and thread. In her for er venture a needle and thread was tne only strand of plot, and it was then used for Mr. Kalisz to sit upon and rise to laughter. Miss Stone must be superstitious about the needle and thread thing; previously she used it to mend a buttonhole in Kalisz's shirt—this time it is to sew a button on the neck-band to hold his collar. Sticklers for detail might recall that fixed buttons have become almost obsolete for the purpose of attaching collars. Again the matter of detail makes it remarkable that the writer of an opera found his work reviewed on the front page of three Chicago dailies. Only a grand opera opening "makes" the front page nowadays. And going just a little further if a singer must call to congratulate an author before breakfast time in his own apartments she should at least object to having him lock the door and thus make the "compromising" air tight. But granting that this may be considered quibbling, there can be no discounting the personal charm and vocal accomplishments of the fair Amelia. She sang with wondrous sweetness, acted with rare charm, and alone carried the act to whatever success it attained.

Emaile Lea and the Lucifers. Dancing and Acrobatics. 14 Mins.; Full Stage. Fifth Avenue.

The act's strength is in the dancing of the two women and the contortions of the man. The contortions are turned off in the best manner for showing this sort of work, being used for comedy purposes. The man aside from the laughs secured from the body twisting is not a particularly brilliant comedian and should confine his search for laughs solely to the contortion work. Emalie Lea contributes a solo dance that is well worth while. High kicking and semi-acrobatics and contortions mixed made the number a solid success. Miss Lucifer in hard shoes does a skipping rope dance that also won applause. The act opened the show at the Fifth avenue and before the holiday audience Monday afternoon was a big success, despite they were forced to stall in "one" for several minutes. The portion in "one" does not belong, but should not be counted against the trio, as it was for stage setting conveniences. The trio will do nicely as the opener for any bill. Dask.

Mabel Berra. Songs. 23 Mins.; Close in One. Alhambra.

After two years on the Continent and in England, Mabel Berra returns to New York vaudeville this week at the Alhambra in a new specialty. A pianist is carried. He is a boy wonder who dresses in knickers and can play the piano, only the classical, passing up "rag" entirely. In the closing number when Miss Berra appears in "one" the boy shows in the orchestra pit as leader. Mabel sang five songs, changing costume for each. She looks charming in all the costumes which are pretty and becoming. Wearing the high boots with every change should be avoided. Opening with a light number about a walk in the park Miss Berra secures a nice start. "Grandma's Days," in which the hoopskirt figures, follows. Miss Berra's fetching appearance in the old fashioned costume is quite enough, "Fishing," in which the pole with the net attached (first employed over here by Daisy Wood), proved a big winner. In "You'll Have to Play the Organ If You Want to Make a Hit With Me," a transparent drop is used in which the accompanist appears in choir robes playing the organ. It is a high class selection and gave Miss Berra's well trained soprano a chance.

The closing number brings Miss Berra to the front in tights with the reason for the wearing of the boots through the act. The tights and a dashing military song make a good close. Opening after the intermission Miss Berra easily held attention, and received several real calls at the finish.

Dash.

Strength Brothers. Acrobats. 7 Mins.; Two. Colonial.

Dressing in sack suits and of a natty appearance, the Strength Brothers present a snappy, clever list of hand-to-hand, balancing and other strength feats. The act runs smoothly and quickly. Closing the program at the Colonial, following Gertrude Hoffmann (in her second week) the couple had a very hard position, but did very well in holding the house. They are foreigners, having appeared previously on this side.

Reeves and Bradcomb. Singing and Dancing. 10 Mins.; One. Gane's Manhattan.

There is class to this "sister team" now debutting on the "small time." The girls have youth, trim figures, new wardrobe, a willingness to work, and voices that enable them to put over numbers with success. They present a pleasing appearance in each change and one (the blond) makes a neat looking boy, appearing in white fiannels. One of the "sisters" introduces "Tell Me, Cutey, Who Tied Your Tie?" to advantage, while the team sings and dances "Come Along, Mandy" for a finish.

Mark.

Nana has been placed as the feature at the Liberty, Philadelphia, next week by Freeman Bernstein. Adelaide Norwood. Songs. 15 Min.; One. Majestic, Chicago.

For her venture into vaudeville Miss Norwood has selected a repertoire which includes too much heavy material. Four songs constituted her offering Monday afternoon. No greater tribute to her vocal gifts could be paid than to relate that down next to closing she held the audience almost She opened with "I Dreamed intact. I Dwelt in Marble Halls" ("Bohemian Girl") returned to render Cho Cho San's long and heavy solo from "Mme. Butterfly," then gave another heavy selection from Wagner's "Walkyrie" and closed with "Come Back to Erin." The Wagner selection might better be replaced by some ballad, for while vaudeville audiences are appreciative of class and distinction in anything which may be offered, no less an artist than Mme. Norwood could hope to hold attention with a program so topheavy in operatic selections. Norwood makes a fine appearance, approaches her task with an assurance which invites respect for anything she may essay and in one of the most difficult niches in American vaudeville covered herself with artistic laurels with a holiday audience. Apropos of her "Mme. Butterfly" selection it it was a bit remarkable that in the same bill with her was Claude Gillingwater, an actor of rare accomplishments who created the role of the American Consul in the Belasco dramatization of the story from which the opera was drawn. Vaudeville needs more Adelaide Norwoods. She is "in for a flyer." but when she comes back her calling and election will be sure if she will but lighten up her reper-

Frank Hartley.
Juggler.
11 Mins.; Three (Parlor).
American.

Frank Hartley is a young juggler of light and heavy objects. He made a distinct impression at the American (downstairs) Monday evening. though on at eight o'clock. The upstairs show that evening might have had something to do with the early position below. He should appear later. Not always need the salary in the contract select the position on the program. Hartley may be from England. He works alone, without comedy assistant, interjecting a trifle of humor himself, perhaps the worst the "business" with the egg, although the juggling with the same bit of food was excellent. As the "egg comedy" has been done often before, so has a great many of Mr. Hartley's tricks. Not later than a week or so ago when the Cromwells appeared at the American; also Kara. Hartley, however, is unfortunate only in following these jugglers so closely. For execution he compares with them, and favorably. In a couple of new tricks the young man displays fine skill, particularly in the tea cup, saucer and spoon, thrown from his toe to his forehead. one at a time, each settling in place without a miss.

"The Musikal Girls" (5). 17 Mins.; Four (Parlor). Fifth Avenue.

It would hardly be fair to pass judgment on "The Musikal Girls" after seeing them at the opening performance Monday afternoon at the Fifth Avenue. It is seldom that anything is done right at the house, one way or the other, and the manner in which those five girl; were shoved onto the stage was enough to take the heart out of anybody. The girls wear pretty house gowns and the whole idea is parlor entercainment. At the Fifth Avenue the parlor scene was set without a carpet on the floor. one rickety looking settee in the corner and a small table with the saddest lamp imaginable upon it. The set ruined the whole idea. The atmosphere, an all important factor, was lost immediately. The five girls employed are recruits from the Fadettes. Amongst the number is Anna Churchill, the buxom drummer, always an individual hit with the larger organization. It appears from what could be gathered that if the present act is to be a success. it is going to be Miss Churchill who will make it so. She sings, plays the piano and then puts over a finish that can't fail through her manipulation at the drum. Violincello, cornet and trombone are the other instruments used. The girls are good musicians, and the combined efforts are most satis-"No. 2" on the Fifth Avefactory. nue bill brought an encore and sev-Dash. eral bows.

Homer Barnet. Songs. 9 Mins.; One.

Ted Marks found Homer Barnet, and Ted says he is some find. "Soloist at the Little Church Around the Corner" states Theodore. The program reads "Homer Barnet, in 'The Outcast'," sounding like a dramatic sketch. But it was simply the character assumed for the rendition of a couple of ballads. As an old man, Mr. Barnet made the songs a bit more effective, but the turn remains a straight singing specialty. Mr. Barnet has a very good voice, which he knows how to handle and his enunciation is a delight after hearing many Two songs, "Star of My others. Dreams Come True," and "Was I a Fool?" were given. Where Mr. Barnet is not called upon to do more he should please. The program the spot allotted this week at the Plaza might have been a bit too heavy for the turn to show at its best. Dash

Lazaro Trio. Musical. 14 Mins.; One.

Guitar, mandolin and violin are played by this trio of foreign extraction. The men appear as Italian street minstrels, and of their numbers, secure the biggest return on the "rag trio." A violin solo is offered. The comedy is of the same calibre as that employed by other foreign musical acts now in this country. A popular medley instead of one of the selections would boost their stock. Mark.

Flo. Irwin and Co. (1.)
"At The Ball" (Comedy).
16 Mins.; Four.
Manhattan O. H.

After having made a success as a "souse" in "Mrs. Peckham's Carouse," Flo. Irwin continues to hold a drinking scene, in this, her latest offering. This week the act is on "No. 3," at the Manhattan Opera House. Whether it will qualify for a better position on any bill is questionable. Her chief and only support is Sidney Broughton who essays the role of a theatrical manager and a former suitor of the twice married and divorced Mrs. Mable Burton (Miss Irwin). The scene is laid in the conservatory at the country home of a mutual friend. The audience is informed in advance the "load" the lady will accumulate is only a "stall." The former suitor returns after having secured a cold bottle and the Mrs. twice removed by divorce seems to gather to herself a large-sized "souse." In it she leads her companion to believe he has proposed to her. The final surprise, and the only thing that will put the act over is where Miss Irwin suddenly reveals she was shamming: that the only engagement she wants is one of a theatrical nature, which is given her. The "gags" employed have seen service before, and produce but a slight ripple.

The Navos.

Aerial.

11 Mins.; Full Stage.

Hammerstein's.

The Navos are a foreign balancing turn. All but the encore is performed upon the single trapeze, the taller of the two men holding the other in various poses while balancing himself upon the bar. In many of the tricks, the smaller man acts as a counterlever, holding the balance. The present encore should be dropped and a new trick found for the finish, unless the encore, which is unnecessary, should be done away with. now some pedal work is the final ending. In its class it's a nice turn, and will do all right on the big small time. but opening a large program seems too much, as the act at the best is slow in execution. Sime.

Eddie Horan.
Dancing.
9 Mins.; One.
Gane's Manhattan.

Eddie Horan hasn't any business on the "small time." He is by far too clever a dancer. Eddie should be with a production of his own. In his present offering, Eddie misses calculations. His whiteface work, monolog and recitation will never heap any laurels on him, but with his dancing Eddie is there. The writer remembers when Eddie was a carded olio feature with prominent minstrel organizations, pulling down big money for his special dancing act with William H. West's Minstrel Jubilee. Eddie unquestionably belongs in a higher niche. As a theatre audience is fickle and so forgetful, it apparently hasn't time to delve into the past to learn that Eddie Horan, in the heyday of minstrelsy, was one of the foremost of dancing originators. Mark.

OUT OF TOWN

Familia Bell. Instrumental. 30 Mins.; Full Stage. Chutes, San Francisco.

This act will easily hold down any spot on the big time. Seven men and two women are in the act, all thorough musicians. The instruments used include guatamalan, mirimbas, mirimbaphon, chimes, bells and string instruments. The repertoire is principally classical, from which lighter numbers have been selected. For the finish a medley of popular selections interspersed with short patriotic excerpts brought the house standing when the strains of "America" sounded. For good measure one of the women assisted by a man, a lively comedian, introduced a snappy Spanish dance which warranted the encore. There is enough to the repertoire to satisfy both lovers of the "rag" and the "heavy stuff." A number by the Mirimbas alone would come in nicely. The act while at present is an excellent number for any big time card, shows possibilities for a better routine. At the Chutes in closing position they pulled down the hit of the program, thirty minutes proving not any too much. The act is elaborately costumed to the smallest detail in Spanish Bandalero costumes. Fountain.

Billy Chase. Songs. 13 Mins.; One. Chutes, San Francisco.

With a good personality, a very fair singing voice, an immaculate appearance in evening dress and "Lovey Joe" with original verses for the opening, Chase started off flying. He adopts a patter delivery for his numbers, keeping up a continual line of rapid fire talk throughout. "Sugar Moon," "Daddy Was a Grand Old Man" and a medley. Chase puts his material over well, but with just a slight overabundance of confidence, tending to handicap his early efforts. A neat little patter encore number proved a capital getaway, displaying a pleasing side of his personality which failed to show earlier. Chase manifests he has the desire to please strongly, and the ability to forge ahead. The desire at present is slightly overdone. A little less facial contortion and casier style approaching the encore will improve. At the Wigwam in next to closing position, Chase caught on at once.

Fountain.

Sterling and Woods.
Talk.
14 Mins.; One.
Young's Pier, Atlantic City.

Ford Sterling for years a German comedian with John and Emma Ray and Ralph Woods, at one time on the boards but who lately managed several big shows, are the present team. A very good team they make. Sterling retains the German makeup and is an excellent character comedian. Woods works straight, a first rate feeder. The talk is new and was put over to register a goodly number of laughs. For a finish they did the "Gardenhaus." The act secred here and should fit in nicely. I. B. Palaski.

AMERICAN.

(Estimated Cost of Show, \$5,375.)

The American gave two shows Monday evening. One was up and the other downstairs. Acts worked three shows for the day. Two could also have been given at the matinee, when there was a big turnaway. At night in the theatre the audience was quite alive, but on the Roof seemed hardened up.

While Vesta Victoria was singing up stairs, the ushers were the most enthusiastic, shouting lustily for "Poor John," after Miss Victoria's third song. Vesta obliged. Her dependence this trip seems to be "Don't Sing the Chorus," the prime "audience" or "plugging" song of them all. Through "Business" with the stage manager, with the orchestra and printed cards given out with the chorus printed upon them, Miss Victoria will soon have Emma Carus pushed into the background as the champion audience worker of the century. It's not good stuff. Miss Victoria has always been looked upon as too much the artiste for that. The song is ordinary, built for the purpose, with a simple melody. The opening number, in character dress, was "Skating," amounting to nothing at all. Miss Victoria's second (without request) was "Now I have to Call Him Father," one of her former hits. Four songs only were rendered, two new and two If all houses fall as easily. "Don't Sing the Chorus" may pull Vesta through this time if she has none other. Monday evening Miss Victoria waved her hand, blew her usual kiss to the gallery-but on the American Roof there is no gallery.

The program played better downstairs than above, running below likely in the first order laid out. Ed Blondell and Co. in "The Lost Boy" made laughs, though many in the audience could have understudied either of the parts. Perhaps, the same is true of Joe Welch's "Ellis Island." closing the first half, but it scored as big as ever, before the holiday house. On early Renee Graham did two "boy" numbers nicely, and looks to have something in her that may have been smothered by "early spots." The Tod Nods were another act, with acrobatics, and clearly speaking "small time" through dressing.

Leona Pam was in the first half downstairs. She is a nice, hard working girl, but hasn't the proper songs. Her two "straight" numbers are dependent upon twists in the lyrics, and the "kid" character is overdone. Billy K. Wells, a Hebrew impersonator, with his Cliff Gordon "stuff" was moved up from the programed position.

In the second half (below) Miss Victoria appeared, with Nana just ahead of her. This is Nana's fourth week at the house. It would seem as if a dancer of Nana's calibre could last four weeks on the run, she would be worth booming during the stay. Harry Mayo did well in this section (following Victoria) with his bass voice and sensible selection of songs. Nina Esphey, a banjoiste, Frank Hartley (New Acts), and the Ziguener Quartet, with a couple of other turns completed the bill. Sime.

ORPHEUM.

(Estimated Cost of Show, \$5,125.)

To celebrate the tenth anniversary of the Orpheum, Brooklyn, patrons receive this week three and one-half hours of corking vaudeville.

Monday night a combination holiday and anniversary crowd jammed the house, and was highly apprecia-

The show is made up of twelve acts with but one weak spot. It opened with a rush and continued amid great applause until just before closing. Thompson's two trained terriers "Yankee" and "Dixie" opened. The audience was all in at the time and the act was well received. "No. 2," Morrisary Sisters and Brothers, placed a singing and dancing routine over the footlights finely.

"The Rolfonians" followed in the next position. It is rather unusual to find an act as big as this on so early a position, but as a matter of fact the spot was as good as almost any there this week. The turn went with a snap and dash that earned repeated encores.

Mike Bernard and Willie Weston graced the fourth position and stopped the show, putting over a solid applause hit. After finishing the regular turn, seven additional minutes were devoted to encores.

The Charles Ahearn Troupe, "No. 5," gave the audience eleven minutes of unadulterated laughter and at the finish earned four curtains.

Just before closing the first part there came another musical turn in Trovato. Undaunted by having to follow the Rolfonians, the violinist came on and held the stage for twenty-five minutes amid frequent applause interruptions and at the finish scored heavily.

John B. Hymar and Co., closing the first part, presented the musical fantasy "Tom Walker on Mars," big, pretentious and pretty, but not faring quite as well as it might have. There were five curtains at the end. Opening the second part found the Seldoms, with classical poses, heartily applauded. Next came the hit of the show in Nat Wills. He put over his parodies and patter, and after doing twenty minutes was forced to a speech. He referred to having been one of the attractions of the opening bill at the house and of the pleasure it was to return. Martinetti and Sylvester with acrobatics followed. The comedian was rewarded for his falls with howls of laughter and ap-

The Basque Quartet, just before the closing of the long show, did not seem to hold the audience and there was a drifting out until Jack and Violet Kelly, the Australian whip experts, took the stage. With the act the audience settled down once again and remained until the close. There is one thing that both members of this act may be congratulated upon and that is the manner in which they go about the work. They scored in decided fashion. Pictures at 11.30.

Frad

The Farrell-Taylor Trio is disorganized for the present, the colored man having left the act.

PLAZA.

(Estimated Cost of Show, \$4,200.) Big house, big show and big applause were the order of things at the Plaza Monday night. The big event was the return to this country of George Lashwood. It was here that Lashwood opened for the first time in the country last season, and it was also in this house he scored his most marked success. George is due to repeat that success if Monday night's holiday audience can be taken as a criterion. As dapper and dashing as ever, and somewhat thinner than when seen in London last summer, Lashwood dressed, cavorted and sang his way through six songs, after which he made a speech and was compelled to give them "Latchkey." It was good solid applause, no "plants," and it came from all parts of the house. Harry Lauder never met with, a bigger reception over here. Lashwood has several new songs with his old ones. "John O'Hare" probably conceived from "Rings on Her Fingers" is of the best of the new. A dramatic recitation, in song, was liked. It is well done and probably should be included in the repertoire, but needs better placing. The "Fol de La La" could well be dropped. It

The return of Montgomery and Moore was also an important item. They were abroad for several months. Owing to the customs their costumes were not yet through. They appeared in street attire and went to it hammer and tongs, whooping them up even if it was after eleven. Billy is doing an "impression of Sam Mayo" (Singing "Ha, Ha, Ha") which is very good. The song alone is enough and Billy sings it well. The Karno Company gave two shows. "The Wow Wows" and the shadowgraph thing. "The Wow Wows" closing the interval was a big laughing success. The act has been cut some since first shown at the Colonial, and is now a fast moving laughing number of the best sort. The Shadowgraph was interesting and amusing and should be a corking number for the matinee audiences.

doesn't become Lashwood.

Edith Leroy (Mrs. Lashwood), an English girl, playing for Morris last season for a week or two, did very nicely, placed early on the program.

Lew Welch and Co. secured a goodly amount of laughs from "Levinsky's Old Shoes." The idea doesn't get far from the numerous other Hebrew sketches that "The End of the World" threw into the market. The piece fitted in and helped the general running.

Breen Brothers, on early, help that portion of the program. The comedy and singing blend well and both men do good work. The finish could be strengthened. Parodies seem to be the thing.

La Belle Nello, contortionist, and La Belle Clark with her horse, both did nicely in the early numbers. Alian Shaw amused. Dora Martini opened and the Cycling Demons closed.

"Georgia Campers" were a hit. That doesn't excuse the dressing. The act might receive a route so it could be remedied. Homer Barnet (New Acts).

HAMMERSTEIN'S.

(Estimated Cost of Show, \$4,950.)

A very good entertainment surrounds Valeska Suratt, who is the big card at Hammerstein's. Miss Suratt seems to hold her drawing power, for although Tuesday night was one of the most miserable New York's funny winter can produce, yet the house was very big, and the day after the New Year's celebration besides.

Miss Suratt's piece (New Acts) closed the first half. The earlier section played the more quickly, opening with Navos (New Acts). Harry Breen was "No. 2" (the Doherty Sisters billed not being replaced). Mr. Breen ran through nicely, adding impromptu dialog and juggling with his get-'emquick songs. For "quick stuff" of this nature Mr. Breen appears to have the field all to himself, with no competitor in sight.

Though "No. 4" Morton and Moore were the third act to show, coming on while the house was filling up. Theirs is a peculiar turn, nonsensicalities, with songs and dances. The couple have a very neat and effective entrance from the parlor into "one" without interrupting the action, and this portion is about their best bit. They did very well.

After the intermission Belle Baker, with "coon" songs, in her second or third week, started the last half off, followed by Bernardi, who held the stage and orchestra a long time with his familiar turn. The only part not quite so fariliar (lightning changes made behind transparencies) which closes the act was the best liked. Next to last were Bernard and Weston (New Acts).

For the finish of the performance Max Gruber put his animals through their paces. Besides Mr. Gruber, there are a woman, elephant, horse and pony. The animals are worked in together for entertaining tricks, and the act held. As a real animal turn, none better could be found for matiness. Gruber has returned from a tour of the Orpheum Circuit. Out there he was not billed as "Max Gruber's Animals." It was a more "classy" billing. but couldn't have harmed the turn, for it still remains a good one.

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GANE'S MANHATTAN.

In the face of adverse weather conditions, Billy Gane started the new year by slipping over the best bill of the season from the viewpoint of the regulars. And there were divers reasons why the show went leagues ahead of all the others. It was splendidly balanced, contained class and the audience showered liberal applause on each act.

Manager Gane has installed a new set of lens in his picture machine. The films are now more clearly produced and consequently make a better impression.

Dow and Dow, Hebrew comedians, with parodies, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Thorn in their comedy sketch, chalked up a clean score.

Lillian Lewis, dressed daintily in pink, offered several songs and acrobatics pleasingly.

Eddie Horan and Reeves and Bradcomb (New Acts) landed big. Mark.

THE DUCKLINGS.

To sum up "The Ducklings" from all angles and to deliver a quick opinion, one has but to say that it is "some show." In putting this burlesque attraction on the management has spared nothing to assist in making it one adequate from every standpoint.

The cast fills every requirement. All of the principals, male and female, are clever, possessing good voices and dress their parts with care and lavishness. The scenic investure is all that could be desired and the chorus is willing, pretty and well trained.

The show is given in two parts with an olio. The opening piece is programed as "Oh, You Lemon." The book is a trifle weak, but one soon loses sight of this fact as the girls are kept on the stage almost constantly with the exception of the time required for changes. The chorus, coupled with the fact that the show is strong in women to lead numbers, saved this portion.

The afterpiece is a musical burletta entitled "A Night on the Roof Garcen." Both are by Frank Damsel, who is also a member of the cast. He, rather surprisingly, did not "hog" all of the lines and situations, something contrary to precedent.

In the first part the comedy is equally divided between the author, J. H. I rice, in a "Dutch" role, and Mike McDonald as an Irishman.

What there is of the story unravels so as to give ample opportunity for the musical interpolations. In selecting the latter the management has shown good judgment. There isn't any "exclusive" music.

Alice Brophy, the prima donna, wears a stunning afternoon costume of a light bronze hue, topped off by a chic bonnet decked with brown plumes, throughout the first part. She is a very pretty girl, with a voice and lots of personality. There are four other numbers in addition to the finale in the opener.

In turn they are led by Frances Farr, a corking soubret, Margie Bennett, a charming little girl who steps out from the chorus and Blanche Martin. The latter (leading lady) disports herself during the entire act, in tights with a stunning figure to do it in. Her only number is just before the finale of the show. A mixed quartet in which the prima donna, the soubret and the two comedians take part was repeatedly encored. The soubret wears two costumes during the first part which easily class her among the best dressers in her branch of burlesque work.

The afterpiece is much better as far as the book goes, and the dressing here is better if anything than the first part. Mr. Damsel essays a straight role, and is seen to better advantage than as a "comic." Price and McDonald continue as "Dutch" and "Irish."

It seems as though every one of the female principals held back something in the dressing line to give those in front a surprise, for the prima donna clothes herself in two beautiful creations (for her two numbers), the leading lady shows she can carry skirts as well as grace tights and the soubret wears additional knee-length costumes that caught the eye.

During the burlesque the song hit developed. It was "Has Anybody Got a Kiss to Spare?" In most companies it would have been used to make a play to the boxes, but here it was a pleasant relief to discover that a novelty of another sort had been arranged. The number was led by Miss Farr and scored a round dozen of legitimate encores. After the third encore, eight or ten of the girls from the chorus were introduced by name in turn, and working with the "spot" sang the chorus separately.

Another number that scored was "Come Play Ball With Me," which was led by the little Bennett girl. She has a very pleasing figure which fills out a pair of tights and jersey, and in leading this number showed she is in line as a soubret principal.

In a "Turkish" number the girls did a bit of a "cooch," not suggestive. There '- but one number in either of the pieces that falls to the lot of the men and that is a "coon" bit, worked into the medley opening "A Night on a Roof Garden." This was done by Mr. Damsel, who left the audience wanting more.

There is a moment during the afterpiece that a specialty is interpolated. It serves the dual purpose of enabling Price to show that he can draw music from a concertina and Harry Mathews to reel off a routine of clog steps This stopped the show as the upper portion of the house demanded encores.

The ollo is made up of members of the company. Catherine Ross of the chorus "obliges" with two numbers, to illustrated slides. The Young Brothers in a comedy acrobatic act, that has novelty, held the "No. 2" position, and were followed by McDonald and Price in a duolog. The feature was a pantomime "Temptation or a Lover's Revenge" is the title. It is nothing more or less than the idea of "A Call of the Past," which Grace LaRue offered in vaudeville last season. There have been changes made.

Blanche Martin essays the role of the wife for whom the lure of the bright lights has proven too strong and is no better dancer than Miss LaRue. She does a "cooch" all over the stage in a costume that is exceedingly tight about the hips. There is a suggestion that would help Mr. Damsel, who is the husband, and that is that dress clothes are de riqueur for a Parisian cafe scene, as a dinner coat makes a sorry display. The latter might answer to better purpose if worn by him in the role of manager of the roof-garden in the afterpiece (if it is imperative that any change be made). Fred.

UNION SQUARE.

The New Year's crowd packed the Union Square Monday even though the prices were raised and a schedule put in effect which called for 10-25-35 cents. The one big feature of the bill was "The Aeroplane Girl." The little girl who sings the number and acts as the aviatrix has a likeable personality and knows just how to kid an audience along.

Norman, contortionist, fairly.

Wheeler and Harcourt (New Acts).

Fred.

IRWIN'S MAJESTICS.

Philadelphia, Jan. 5.

The few changes made in Irwin's "Majestics" have not altered the running order of the show to any extent and it still remains one of the best burlesque shows that the Eastern Wheel can boast of.

A principal feature of "The Majestics" is the steady, snappy pace kept up from start to finish. In this respect the show has something on the majority of the good ones on the Wheels, including Irwin's "Big Show." At no time does the action lag and there is plenty of evidence that those employed earn their money.

In Gus Fay and Joe Hollander "The Majestics" have a couple of hardworking comedians who really make fun. Fay is in the foreground most of the time and there is no comedian in burlesque to mind, who makes better use of his time.

Fay has excellent support from Hollander, who in addition to supplying nearly all of the music is a strong running mate, playing along more subdued lines securing big results. The one time this pair utilize the stage to any extent is in the familiar prison scene and this is worked so well that the comedy is up to a high average at all times.

While "The Majestics" can be classed as a clean show, several things are allowed to creep in which do not belong. One is the kicking or bumping of the girls in an early number. It is not funny, and has no place. Another is the "kld" song which Edith Hollander whispers to the front row and then offers kisses to those who care to indulge. Tuesday, one of the "klds" did a Jimmy Rice fall over the footlights into the arms of a willing hero. Again a dancer programed as Aleta interrupts for a short period with a barefoot dance which has no sense to it and rather spoils the impression made by the woman earlier when she accompanies with Edith Shaw, a satuesque blonde who looks very well and stands out prominently at several stages of the show.

These are details which might be overlooked in the high average of entertaining quality generally, but they are given space where not needed to strengthen the comedy or help the show.

Joe West has replaced Frank Ferron as ballad soloist. West has a good voice. His first solo is poorly selected. It is old and worn. He does better with "Lovey Joe," worked up by some comedy by Fay and Hollander. William Hearn is also given an opportunity to show his voice and does well.

The principal women remain the same and "The Majestles" can boast of their women. Florence Bennett has the leading role, filling it most acceptably. Miss Bennett has plenty of opportunity to display her ability along different lines and few leading women in burlesque are better adapted, for she has looks, a magnetic manner and reserve which is more a mark of ability than anything which can be affected. The noticeable advancement in Miss Bennett's work has been steady and she stands well up among the leaders.

Evelyn Walker Fay, Buelah Benton and Dolly Sweet are next in prom-

inence. Miss Walker has been of the Irwin forces for some time now and this season is doing as well as ever. which is a considerable factor. Miss Benton makes herself useful in the pieces and with William West lands solidly in their specialty. Here Mlss Benton sings an old-time ballad "Silver Threads Among the Gold" and brings a real hit out of it after several song hits have been registered with more modern numbers. West shows some neat stepping and does a longdistance handstand which brings applause. Dolly Sweet, among other contributions, has a French song which goes over, but she holds to an old song for the Anna Held number and could do herself more justice by selecting a suitable substitute. Otherwise Miss Sweet handles her material capably.

The male parts are mostly "blts" in which several take part. Charles Montgomery, recently added, gets into the limelight several times, building up the boxing burlesque bit to a good laugh. The West and Benton specialty is the only one which stands alone, but there are numbers at short intervals which are listed in the same category.

The numbers are a big part of the show. The piano and song specialty in the first part with "Down in Lover's Lane," a catchy song; a parody and bit of "plugging" by Fay; the corking "drunk" number which is finely sung by the male chorus and "Good Bye, Mary," led by Evelyn Walker are all first-class. Miss Bennett leads three or four in pleasing style, though the "Hobble" song falls below the others, and Dolly Sweet heads the best looking number—"Marie from Paree" of the first part.

There are many pretty dressing effects throughout. The bathing song, led by Miss Walker in a natty red dress and specially posed by Florence Bennett is catchy, but the suits ought to have a real dip in the water. Miss Walker could improve her first costume by wearing slippers, instead of the black velvet shoes which do not harmonize with the rest of her makeup. The rose dress worn by Miss Bennett is her prettlest and becomes her perfectly.

Fay and Hollander are using the beer-exchange bit, original with Fay, and have built up a corking finish to it by Fay using a hat to catch the beer instead of a pitcher and finishing with a snappy catch line. This bit of business has been "lifted" by one or two acts now in vaudeville.

Supporting the other qualities of "The Majestics" is a good looking, active bunch of chorus girls who work up the numbers in good shape and look well in their several changes. In the "Mary" song a neat dressing effect is lost by a lack of uniformity in stockings, always noticeable.

George M. Young.

"Naughty Marietta" is reported to have played to \$27,000 Christmas week, including New Year's Eve. at the New York Theatre.

A "No. 3" "Mme. Sherry" show, which cost \$7,000 to equip, is said to have returned the investment in the first three performances.

THE UMPIRE.

While this show is still called "The Umpire" there is nothing left of the book or numbers that were given last year. It is also evident from the program that an attempt is being made to lose the identity that was established then and to make an Edmond Hayes show of the organization with that gentleman the star.

There isn't any doubt that the show will make money on the season. for in the matter of cast it is one, that on the face of things, has a deep cut in the salary list in comparison to all others that have been seen.

"McGuire from Slatington" and "The Wise Guy in Society" are the titles that are borne by the two halves of the entertainment. On the program no one is given credit for the authorship of either of the pieces. Neither is worth boasting of.

For the first part a special back drop and one set piece are employed in conjunction with a wood scene for the setting. Mr. Hayes is reserved for the afterpiece. There are seven principals programed as characters in 'McGuire," but the lines fall on the shoulders of four, who have to work heroically to get the piece over. There is but one female principal, Marie Jansen. She has one number in the first part. This she manages to put over well. There are three other numbers led in turn by Frank Riley, an Irish comedian, Bertha Bernstein and Miss Belford. The latter two are recruited from the chorus. Miss Belford, who would be a "find" for Billy Watson's "Beef Trust," helps in a comedy scene with her avoirdupois.

The chorus members, designated quite untruthfully as "the most beautifully formed women in burlesque," make four changes during the first act with a general leaning toward tights. The number preceding the finale was dubbed "The Sun Dance," synonomous with "cooch," done in a hap-hazard manner.

The olio was Daisy Harcourt at the start, quarter, half and finish. In other words, as special attraction she walked away with the show, delivering four numbers, affecting a different costume for each of them. Her material was naturally "blue," but a riot.

With the second half there came the featured player of the organization. The setting is a center door fancy backing with palace borders and wings. Six principals make up the cast. Edmond Hayes and Steve O'Donnell are the added starters with four holdovers from the first part.

At times the lines in "The Wise Guy in Society" would seem to convey the impression that this act was a continuation of the first part, but the general action does not accomplish this end, if desired.

The afterpiece is made up largely of suggestiveness, vulgarity and expectoration. Of the latter there is an overdose. When it becomes necessary to have the women folk participate it is very nearly time to get a new book for the show.

The time not occupied by the three seeming requisites in this show, as mentioned above, seems to be devoted to something else just as reprehensible. There isn't anything funny about any of it.

Al. Canfield, as Bussy, proprietor of the hotel in the last haif is a very good "straight," and rendered a good account of himself, as did Harry Bulkley as "Lord Get the Coin." The latter's performance was quite effective for the role that he had.

There are six numbers in the burlesque, exclusive of the opening chorus and the finale. Miss Jansen drew down the hit with her rendition of the "Grizzly Bear," although "Cupid's I. O. U.," put over by Miss Belford just previous to the finale, was a very close second. The real surprise of the evening came with the costuming of this number. Fourteen of the chorus were clad in Colonial garments, as boys and girls, and the number was well liked.

Of course there was Hayes' piano moving scene in which Robert Archer assisted. He is Bozo, the pal of Spike Hennessy (Hayes). His bit of sliding up to the piano has two or three wiggles in it that might be eliminated. The show doesn't rank.

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HAMMERSTEIN'S ROOF.

With a diving act, a whistler and imitator, six good dancers and a singing "single," the Victoria Roof show the first half of the week framed up satisfactorily and to the regular patrons was far ahead of the bills seen there in weeks.

Caroline Dixon sang "Winter," "All That I Ask Is Love," and an operatic medley, including a selection from "Carmen," "Il Trovatore," and another from still a third score, which gave the young woman a chance to show the range of her voice. On the first number she got off the key at times, but did much better with her second. Miss Dixon hits her high notes much better than her medium ones.

James Murtha, with his whistling and imitations, put in fourteen minutes, which the audience appreciated. His "Mocking Bird" and "Glow Worm" numbers were especially well received.

Six Dancing Dennos and Diving Mermaids (New Acts). Mark.

SHUBERTS RENEW GRAND LEASE.

Syracuse, N. Y., Jan. 5.

In their home town the Shuberts have renewed the lease of the Grand Opera House, expiring May 1 next. The renewal is for ten years. The Grand now plays Kelth vaudeville under a co-operative agreement between the brothers and B. F. Keith. The latter has proposed a new house here on South Salina street, but something seems to have interfered with the progress. The buildings have not been demolished and no other signs may be seen of anything new on the site.

The latest report is that M. E. Wolf, of Rochester, who is interested in Klaw & Erlanger's new Empire. now building here, together with Maurice Jacobs, of the Western Burlesque Wheel, is contemplating the erection of a burlesque house in Syracuse for the Western Wheel. They have with them, according to report, one of the local financial men concerned in the Empire.

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AMERICAN (Wm. Morris, Inc., mgrs.; agent. direct).—The Music Hail show dropped several points below the average this week especially in the first section, where nothing was sturted until Juliet appeared in tenth position going hack to her old string of impersonations. This routine fared much better than her offering of last week and her efforts were well rewarded. Although Chas. Bigelow was heavily hilled and headlined he failed to appear at night, Irwin and Herzog being substituted. No explanation was offered for the disappointment at the time, aithough it became known later that poor material was the cause of Bigelow's closing after the afternoon performance. Following Juliet "That Annie Laurie Song" pulled down a large hit. One must necessarily expand their imagination a trifle to get over the theme, but on the whole Chas. Kenyon has written another decidedly interesting playlet. The opening spot fell to Larola (second week) after which Flo Jacobson dished out an lilustrated song. Randali followed the sildes with sand painting. Probst whistled his way into favor. Hilton and Bannon in Ed. Galiagher's "Battle of Too Soon' brought home the first laughs. Bannon has his character well in hand, but the straight man lacks in delivery. His description of Casey's ride, one of the best bits in the travesty, only caught half the house. Once this department is strengthened the piece will undoubtedly run as well as ever. The Doria Opera Trio scored hig. The Four Henrys faced a house hard to convince with their whirlwind dancing, especially after two weeks of the Four Amaranths. Down in the spotnext to intermission Albini just 'cleaned up' the hit of the whole show. Albini is a comedian as well as a magiloan. White he is fresh, he never offends. His illusions run slong with the hest, but without them Albini would have scored just as big for his work in 'one' will carry him through anywhere. Albini not only had them laughing but sent to last had on work hard to had the mission excellent. The four house hard to had the head

MAJESTIC (Lyman B. Glover, mgr.; agent, Orpheum Circuit).—Monday afternoon the holiday crowd were either iacking in appreciation or the bill did not contain the lagredients to stir much enthusiasm; at all events the show ran without any particularly special disturbance save in the case of Ed Wynn and P. O'Malley Jennings, who easily scored the laughter and applause hit of the show. The clever Englishman served as a capital foil for Wynn's peculiar manners and methods. Dan Burke and "Wonder Giris," with Molly Moller, a sprightly principal, returned to scenes of previous success and scored the second hit. A third hit of conspicuous proportions was scored by the Five Satsudas Japs, who carry the unusual distinction of getting laughs out of "Risley" work. The Savages, revoiving ladders, and the Mullin Duo, instrumentalists, offered the two earliest numbers, with the Japs in third position. To Fred Dupree fell appreciation and applause for his reality clever monolog. Kenny, "Nobody" and Platt worked their way with hiack-face duolog fairly well and reached an applause finish through the vocal work of the comedian. Amelia Stone and Armand Kalisz and Adelaide Norwood, New Acts. Claude Gillingwater and Co. advanced the time-honored "dream" thing, with another "Galatea" come to life, for the interested consideration of the audience. "The Awakening of Minerva" disclosed its chief fault in being too long drawn out. The domineering mother-in-law, more ancient than "Galatea" for stage use, is over accentuated, and there is too much time devoted to the confab between the "statu" and the artist. Speed is an essential to complete success, for the act whether the author of a half dozen sketches interjects it or not. The Casting Dunbars closed the show with skillful aerial display.

STAR AND GARTER (Wm. Beebe, mgr.)—Some class to "The Trocaderos." Besides being a scenic and costume production there is a consistently exagerated plot to "Finney at the North Pole," and elsewhere, which provides the entertainment divided into prolog and two acts with several scenes. Chas. H. Waldron introduces Frank Finney as "the eminent young comedian and producer" and even under such a nonsensical bandicap Finney gets away in fine shape. He is a burlesquer of the old school, capable, if need be, of providing "bokum" but Monday night, before a capacity audience composed, as usual here, mostly of women, only cleanliness in the method of Finney and his associates was noticeable. The musical section of the organization is conspicuously to the credit of Harry

Alford, everything from and including overture to exit march was handed to house leader Lew Spooler and his harmonists Sunday noon and the men were a busy lot in following the score for songs, number dancing and scene shifts. After the shew had progressed well toward the close it was brought to a full stop by the inappropriate interlection of Owen Moran into the proceedings. In this beautifully equipped and managed theatre privafighters do not appeal to the women who so liberally patronize hurlesque as it is shown here, and any patronage Moran might attract would be a distinct detriment to the house. His "act" was especially worthless as "entertainment" owing to local restrictions on public boxing exhibits, hence he was considered to tossing the medicine ball, "chadow boxing" and a poor display of bag-punching. Rather than benefiting matters, Moran obstructed the fast close which the entertainment was working up to when his exhibition was interpolated. Long-winded speeches hy Finney and Moran's trainer and manager made the incident a wearying feature of the occasion. At the outset the "production" element which distinguishes "The Trocaderos" from most other Wheel shows was evident in the scenic mountings and frequent changes in following the details of the story. The transit from one locale to another brought a cleverly devised "transformation" into view, and each succeeding change demonstrated the completeness of the equipment. In the matter of costuming the outfits for hoth principals and chorus are many and elaborate. Over twenty numbers are interspersed, inviting many becoming activities for the choristers and aconstant and kaledioscopic showing of gowns, tights and pony-panted creations of the modistes art. Dalse Thorne Lundy and Jeanette Voung confined themselves to one costume throughout the early half, but later in the evening went in strong for handsome and frequent changes. The busilest little dresser in the show was Minnie Burke, who proved a perfect dynamo of vivacity and cleveruess as the souther. ventress in the second act. Miss Luthus Young and Messrs, Griffith, Builiock and Waish Young and Messrs, Griffith, Builiock and Waish iffed the vocal heauties of the sextet from "Lucia" brilliantly. Pearl Wade, who is soon to succeed Miss Lundy as prima donns of the show, rendered "Poor Wandering One," as florid and tricky classic, with heautiful effect as far and away the musical hit of the evening. The chorus was redemanded until Miss Wade was finally able to bow herself out. Among the men Finney, of course, stands out, for he has written the burlesque and naturally provided for himself. His methods pleased the audience immensely and he was individually successful in landing his laughs at high tide. It's too bad that Sam J. Adams is not better provided for, as he is a clever comedian of droil and original method. He has really hut one scene in the show; working with Miss Burke and Miss Ford the furly provided continuous merriment for a quarter of an hour, offering one of the heat intervals of the performance. Frank Ross scored with his parodies, Miss Burke put over a sole dance which fetched a storm of applause and she was urged to three encored ra lively leading of "Chanticleer Rag." Finney was programmed for a number with the girls but didn't, for some reason, come through. There was a creditable bailet divertisement by the chorus, a rather imposing march with the company Amazons going it alone and in many other ways the chorus disported itself creditably and to the betterment of the show.

FOLLY (John Fennesey, mgr.).—This is Margaret Flavin's first season in buriesque. She is the star of the "Tiger Lilles," regardiess of the fact that Matt Kennedy has his name in big type all over everything. But big type dosen't help much when it comes right down to stage performance. If buriesque really deserves the presence of talented and reined performers, Miss Flavin should be grabbed up on a long-time contract by some of the managers, who feel that they have a production worthy of her. In "The Tiger Lilles" she is out of place, so far outclassing the others seem to be standing still; and besides, the "sloppy" comedy (there is no other word which so well describes it) makes her surroundings unsuited. Her work is in every particular a delight. But in the oilo, where she might have full opportunity to let her vocai gifts shine respiendent, she carries the handicap of Wallace Jenkins; he is as hopoless as a singer and performer as Miss Flavin is gifted in the art of entertainment. Another woman stands out prominently, though briefly, in the performance, although her "art" is not to be compared in the same stanza with Miss Flavin's; but to Zallah must go credit for

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sing the best-looking and most beautifully stumed "coocher" the season has brought rith—and she kept her wiggles decently conned. Kennedy and a half dozen other "comilians" try desperately to make entertainment ut of nothing, said nothing being "Happy 'ays," a "school" sketch made into a first-art by Kennedy, and the "burlesque." "The rincess Affinity," which John Saunders takes redit for. There is so much litter upon the tage during the first part that one of the actors" is kept busy with a broom sweeping p banana peeis, hunks of bread and other istruments of "laughs," so that the players lay have the boards to walk upon and prouce the numbers. When other methods are xhausted, Kennedy and another "comedian" it their mouths with milk from a nursing ottle, go about the stage squirting the fluid pon whoever is at hand, and ending the inident by facing at a distance of a couple of est and squirting into each other's face what lilk is left in their mouths. That's going ome for "comedy." Kennedy gets better aughs from his blank-faced expressions, and at his comes nearer being an actor than he oes with a mouthful of milk. The chorus omprises a really good-looking tot of girls. he costuming is attractive, and in some pareutiars elaborate. There are handsome white one Brain" number, and again the girls are rettily lothed for Miss Flavin's splenddir (complished that in the single principal is some chorus girl per look the transition of the child and kenney for a connedy ring and the girls make by far the best howing of regular entertainment. The olio as Leffler and Clayton for song and dance enkins and Flavin for songs and talk, and lyin and Kenney for a connedy ring acthere is also an "Apache" number, introduction of the ring and rettily and the girls make by far the best howing, of regular entertainment. The bein oas Leffler and Clayton for song and dance enkins and Flavin for songs and talk, and lyin and Kenney for a connedy ring acthere is also an "Apache" number, introduction with only a fair showing of accomishmen

CASINO (Gus Schlessenger, mgr.; agent, W. V. M. A.).—The money which has been invested in rejuvenating this former burlesque house (Euson's) has not been placed in a manner to materially alter the general appearance of the place. The stage equipment is new, the lobby has been made beautiful, and the interior of the hourse furbished; but in spite of an inviting atmosphere, North Siders have not flocked in very profitable crowds to witness the three-a-day vaudeville, save on Sundays, when every Chicago theatre comes into its own. The naturally expected drop in attendance following the holidays proved excessive, one night last week, when the last show was witnessed by barely a handful of people. Chester Jones opened. The Don and Mae Gordon Trio, the third person being a girl, offered a bicycling turn, meritorious in itself, but badly off for comedy. Mae Gordon builds up the act with a very showy display of tricks, performed on the upper deck of a bicycle as it is propelled around the stage by the other girl. The structure, built over the head of the girl who drives the wheel, is justiage enough to accommodate the two wheels of another machine upon which Miss Gordon performs the usual "going-through" head and shoulder stands and other thicks previously shown by riders upon the stage. Braham's Pantographs was another interesting inning. There is a combination showing of marionettes, scenic and lighting display, which is well devised. The scenic backing is changed three times, while the marionettes enact incidents by land and water. A naval battle and general bombardment is the closing and most stirring incident. The whole proposition is cleverly conceived and executed. Of Weston and cushman's song and talk fest, the least said is soonest mended. Deas, Reed and Deas, reakerjack colored performers, gave the best act in the show. To close, Hurtig & Seamon offered their own importation. Black and White, a brace of girls who make a creditable showing of gymnastics and general acrobatics. WALT.

OAK (T. C. Eichenbaum, mgr.; agent, Wm. Morris, Inc.)—Ten acts were scheduled for last Wednesday evening. An overture "III." song singer and the pictures deducted left seven specialties. Two of the programed acts did not appear. Long bills at 10-20-25 cents is an experimental thing here. To the observing one, the policy seems likely to be crowned with success, if the right sort of acts prevail. Wells and Sells, closing the show,

cleaned up the hit of the night with their trick-house acrobatics, which seemed to indicate that knockabouting is the pastime which the audience wanted. The second hit of the bill fell to the classily dressed and expert-footed Four Dancing Belles, youngsters who seem to find as much fun in unraveling fast skeins of dancing as the audience did in the result. The girls are young and wholesome, good to look upon, and their singing and dancing would fit in the best of bills. Two of Chicago's industrious "ten-percenters." Bert Earl and Harry Spingold, forgot the stress of splitting commissions long enough to enter prominently into the show; Earl with his banjo and a singing and dancing boy kicking up an applause rumpus, while Spingold and wife, working as Spingold and Gerard, offered what was really a protean act of ante-bellum times, with Spingold switching clothes for almost every alternating line in the dislog. So busily is Spingold employed in transilgurations that "ten-percenting" must seem as easy to him as a custard pie would appear to a hungry man. Walman fared well in doing wird things to a violin, and Danny Ahearn whisticd both soft and shrill and 'imitated.' The Hillionians, in commonplace acrobatics averaged fairly both in applause and gymnastic results. It is a question whether the impersonation of a girl by the man in the act helps any.

Frazee & Lederer again become producers at the Colonial when, next Sunday night, they present Victor Moore in "The Happiest Night of Ilis Life." It was this stage which gave them a flying start with "Mme. Sherry."

"The Chocolate Soldiers," after months of prosperity at the Garrick, departs to make way for "The Prince of Pilsen" Sunday night, bringing Jess Dandy to the fore.

Stella Mayhew, Lucy Weston and Al Leach, names dear to vaudeville, are concerned in the performance of "The Jolly Bachelors" which succeeds Eddie Foy and Emma Carus in "Up and Down Broadway" at the Lyric Sunday night.

The Chicago Opera House advertises still another week of "Three Twins" with Clifton Crawford featured therein. "Mme. Troubadour" is now in its second and last week at the Grand. "The Arcadians," at the Illinois, and "The Little Damozelle," at the Whitney, are other musical transients.

With the opening of the Biackstone, New Year's Eve, by Wm. H. Crane, in "U. S. Minister Bedloe," Chicago added another "\$2 house" to Its list of amusement places, and a fifth resort in the vicinity immediately south of the Auditorium. The new house will get absolutely no translent or "foro in" trade, as it is away off the beaten track.

There is a novelty in melodramas at the National. Under the title of "The Defender of Cameron Dam" the story of old John Deitz's single handed fight against the Wisconsin authorities in defending his home from armed attack is told. Mme. Tooma's Indians, late of vaudeville, are featured in grand opera selections incidental to the riot.

Frank Gregory and Co., a troupe of hoop rollers and jugglers, canceled by cable their Orpheum route which was to start at the Majestic Monday. The Casting Dunbars were substituted to close the show.

Lew Spooler, musical director of the Star and Garter, is leading part of the "supper show" at the Majestic, relieving Al Kleist, who is serving in the capacity of musical director at the Clark, on the North Side.

The carved and iniald marble decorations and gold relief ceiling work on the Majestic lobby is progressing nights without interruption to the audience attending the performances. There seems no doubt but what the late Mr. Kohl's intention to have the most ornate and beautiful theatre entrance in America will be amply fulfilled when the work is complete.

Melbourne McDowell and Virginia Drew rescott at the President, 16, booked by the orris office as an offset to Amelia Bingham, ho Frank Doyle has booked for a week each t the Willard and Wilson Ave.

Next Sunday night, at the Princess, A Chevalier, in "Daddy Dufard," succeeds long run of "The Deep Purple," his local appearance outside of vaudeville.

Sydney Shields is in the east, headed in this direction to begin a return engagement over the Orpheum Circuit with "Broadway, U. S. A." Likewise will Claire Maynard soon reach this vicinity for engagements in vaudeville which she has already booked.

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There are sketches and sketches in vaudeville, but one must take off his bonnet to the dramatic playlet in which May Nannary is starring at the Empress. The sketch is called "The Hand That Rules," and deals with the capital and labor problem. It teaches a lesson, and that's what a good many sketches fail to do. And May Nannary and W. R. Dalley drive the lesson home very forcibly.



The Montgomery Duo are presenting their musical act in Northwestern vaudeville houses. Sutton and Sutton's act, "The Pumpkin Girl," formed part of the Kedzle program, first haif, this week.

Anna Caldwell's new comedy drama, "The Nest Egg," is soon to be presented at the Chi-cago Opera House by Zelda Scars.

The Bush Temple's week of vaudeville, now on, has been booked jointly by Frank Q. Doyle and Norman Friedenwald. Count De Beaufort is the feature with Bert Earl and Gladys Vance, booked by Friedenwald. Six Webb Family, Ralph Cummings and Co. the Bramions, Edwards and Dayton, Burkhardt and Berry and the Four Banvards have been placed by Doyle. Starting next Monday the house goes to the Winninger Stock Co. for repertory productions.

Mamie Harnish "tried out" her singing act at the Grand, Evansville, last Thursday night. Dave Beehler, manager of the house, hooked up his brother Charles, manager of the local Orpheum office, on the long distance telephone, and the brothers Behler thus sat as a booking committee, although separated by 300 miles. The telephone transmitter was placed at the side of the stage with megaphon attachment. Miss Harnish didn't know she was being judged for a contract until Dave told her his brother Charles had booked for for a pleasing number of weeks.

John Fogarty, late of Fogarty and Jennings, joined "The Goddess of Liberty" in Kansas City last Sunday to play the part he originated in the piece and to manage the stage.

Jess Libonati, formerly the trap-drum specialist in the Saratoga Cafe orchestra, is now working with an orchestra of his own at the Woodlawn Cafe. He was recently made a director of the American Federation of Musicians and financial secretary of the Chicago Drummers' Club.

Lola Milton recently underwent a successful surgical operation in a Cedar Rapids (ia.) hospital, and expects to have sufficiently recovered to resume her professional duties next week.

W. S. Brewster, who has charge of the transportation department with Sullivan & Consider, was in town last Monday to see the first road show open at the Empress (formerly the Trevett), under the newly established policy of the honse. At that the show did not come complete from the Coast. One or two acts were put in here.

The father of Myra Dowling (Joe and Myra Dowling) died in this city New Year Eve and was buried Jan. 2.

Gus Sohlke has engaged Edith Haney to take Clara Belle Jerome's place in "Joyland." As soon as Miss Haney completes Henry Miller's bookings, where she is now playing, she goes to New York to join the act.

Paul Goudron is now officially designated as booking manager of the local S.-C. office. The business management of the office remains in charge of H. E. Robertson, who has held that position for some time.

Waukegan, a Chicago suburb, sees an end to its theatre war. By the purchase of a third interest in the Waukeagan theatre, Arthur Freudenfeid, who has previously managed the farrison, becomes its manager, Maurice Eckies and Joseph Hopp (who formerly managed the house) retaining each a third interest. The dold Barrison with be closed, and the Waukeasan will be renamed the New Barrison, and the W. V. M. A. will send out the acts, Joseph Howard's wife, Mabei Barrison, originally owned and operated the theatre, which now goes dark.

James Considine, who has been managing a West Madison Street 10-20, had Michael C. Toole as a partner. Last week, Toole sought

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Lottie Mayer started her "tank" act on the W. V. M. A time last week as the Plaza's feature. All acts now play a full week at that

APOLLO (Robert Levy, mgr.; agent, Frank Q. Doyle).—Foster and Foster, Edgar Forman and Co., Guess, Try and Guess, Geo. Daum, Quinn Trio.

CRYSTAL (Frank Schaefer, mgr.; agent, Frank Q. Doyle).—Paul Valadon and Co., Schlavone Comedy Co., Moon and Phillippe, Great Wilber, Wilson and Cumby.

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VIRGINA (J. V. Ritchey, mgr.; agent, Frank Q. Doyle).—Vinas Models, Nannie Fineberg and Co., Mazone and Mazone, Virginia Elaine, Five Alarcons, Earl Kern, Eugene Em-

berg and Co., Mazone and Mazone, Virginia Eliaine, Five Alarcons, Earl Kern, Eugene Emmett.

BIJOU DREAM (Sigmund Faller, mgr.; agent, Frank Q. Doyle).—Trudeil and Fuiler, Tet Young, Bandana Quartette, Billy Ray, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Wells, Phil Berg, Stone and King.

PREMIER (Chas. Schaefer, mgr.; agent, Frank Q. Doyle).—Dalley and Shewbrook, Roy E. Fulton, Weaver and Lambert, Bennie Foster, Jones and Atherton, Tom Leigh, Emmerson and May, Matthew Brown.

GEM (Chas. Schaefer, mgr.; agent, Frank Q. Doyle).—Tyler and St. Claire, Del Fuego, the Clippers, Emmerson and Wright, Ethel McDonald, Ravine and Ravine.

ESSEX (Bilharz & Lewis, mgr.; agent, Frank Q. Doyle).—Ford and Louise, Ben Clark, Patrick and Sampear.

IOLA (George E. Powell, mgr.; agent, Frank Q. Doyle).—Barr and Evans, Jimmy Rego, Leland Sisters, Ethel Pearl Mitchell.

ARCHER (Chas. R. Svinning, mgr.; agent, Frank Q. Doyle).—Onetta, Baker and DeVere, Three St. Julians, Bellmont Sisters, Archer Stock Company.

MONOGRAM (M. Klein, mgr.; agent, Frank Q. Doyle).—Perrin and Crosby, Anna St. Claire, James Sisters, the Minfreys.

GRAND (Waiter Meekin, mgr.; agent, W. V. M. A.)—Lewis and Chapin; Coy de Trickey; Mercedes; the Elitotis; Hazei Heston Lucas and Co; Gaynell Everett.

COLUMBIA (J. H. Kahn, mgr.; agent, W. V. M. A.)—Lewis and Chapin; Coy de Trickey; Romany Duo; Mabel Valentine Maree; Jessie Adams; Samuels and Chester; Russeil and ms kindly mention VARIETY

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HAMILTON (Pat McDonaid, mgr.; agent, W. V. M. A.)—This house has lately turned to Association bookings. One show is given nightly at 10-20 prices. This week the new policy begins with Swedish Quartet; Chief Tenderhoe; Princess Regina; Gayneli Everett; Bobby Doyle and Co.; Petram's Circus; Mine. Bova; Blanche Irvin; Keogh and Kohler; Wayne Christy; Barrison and Taylor, and Mabel Valantine Maree.

SAN FRANCISCO

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VARIETY'S San Francisco Office, 2008 Market St. ORPHEUM (Martin Beck, gen. mgr.; akent, direct).—Capacity attendance. Four Vanis opened the show well. The woman is the acts principal asset and deserves featuring. Melville and Higgins received a reception. Howard, ventriloquist, did very well. Rigoletto Broe. on before intermision, heartly received. Harian E. Knight and Co. in "The Chaik Line," a not over strong sketch but exceilently acted. Alice Lloyd, big reception. "Hobble" Number started the noise and "Master Cupid" placed the English singer in the riot class. Left the house clamoring after thirty-five minutes. Lew Suily scored strongly from the start. La Pia closed the show in fine fashion. holding the house in until 11.15. CHUTES (Ed. Levey, mgr.; Pantages, agent).—Ordinary bill at Chutes. Havey and Co. stereopticon "noveity", very ordinary. "Red fire" only got anything. Nobby Clark, ordinary Scotch comedian, made worse through suggestive finish. Chas. Howe and Co. in "A Broken Heart," did nicely. R. A. G. Trio found things to their liking and went through big. Riccobone's Horses finished show to fair applause.

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big. Riccobona's Horses finished show to fair applause.
WIGWAM (Sam Harris, mgr.).—Three National Comiques, corking opening number and started things right. Brown and Mills went wild with talk, but song and dance finish brought them back for repeated encores. Phillippine Octet did nicely. Tennis Trio, fair. Geo. Yeoman, big laugh, winner. Eckhoff and Gordon, laughing hit. Chevatier De Loris, highly appreciated.

Florence Fulton (Roberts and Fulton), widow of Fred Roberts, who recently died in Mineral Springs, Tex., is in San Francisco, playing the Bert Levey time.

Milton W. Levy, proprietor of the Mirror Cafe on Eddy St., has had his ilcense to seil ilquor revoked and his place ordered closed. He was found to have been willfully gullty

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Cast aside by a little brown hand—
Mama hugs him up tight, papa whispers good night,
Little sailor boy sall into sweet slumber land.

CHORUS.

All aboard for Blanket Bay.
Won't come back till the break of day;
Roll bim 'round in his little white sheet
Roll bim 'round in his little bare feet.
Then you tuck him up in his trundle bed,
Ship ahoy! little sleepy head,
Bless mama, bless papa, and sall away,
All aboard for Blanket Bay.

SECOND VERSE.

There was one night the ship took a wonderful trip.
And the captain came home next day—
With his little voice hushed, and his little face flushed,
From a fever he'd caught in the Slumber-land Port;
And they watched by his bed till the old doctor said.
He's asleep, danger's past, come away—
Mama kissed her boy Blue, papa hugged him up, too.
There were tears in his eyes as he sang Blanket Bay.

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of fallure to report the fracas which occurred in his resort Nov. 25 in which W. V. E. Henricl, a clerk at the Hotel Holland, received injuries said to have caused his death later in

"The Three English Girls," as a .esult of their big success at the Odeon Cafe in this city, have had their time indefinitely extended by Director Tony Lubelski.

The Zaretsky Troupe of Russian Dancess canceled their time on the Pantages Circuit week i. The troupe will in all probability return to this city and piay some time in this vicinity.

Henry Garcia leaves the Portola Louvre Cafe the first of the year as amusement manager. General Manager Herbert Meyerfeld will su-pervise the amusement end hereafter.

Jones and Greiner, after eighteen weeks on ne Bert Levey Circuit, leave, 4, for several ibe Bert Levey Cir weeks in Honolulu.

Ethel Leslie opens at the Portola-Louvre 8 for a return engagement.

This season's Orpheum Road Show is prov-ing a record breaker. The advance sale for Alice Lloyd's engagement has been drawing a box office line-up that has continued all week.

Ideal summer weather during the whmonth of December, combined with the holid shopping, made its affect doubly feit by tshow-shops all over town.

The Bismarck Cafe opened 31 with vaude-ville features served to the diners. This will be the second time the Bismarck has installed vaudeville, the first proving a failure upon which occasion several acts were brought from the City of Mexico.

the City of Mexico.

One of the sorest men in town is Billy Osterfeidt, the operator at the Orpheum Billy conceived an idea of taking a moving picture of Mmc. Tettrazini, singing in the streets of "Frisco" and forthwith began to hustle on the proposition. A visit to the diva's manager secured bis hearty approval of the plan and further hustling secured permission for installing a machine on the platform with the press photographers. With preliminary details arranged, scouling for a firm to supply the encessary film, lights, etc., met with hearty endorsement but no assistance without the coin. A canvas for the coin proved equally as fruitless and Billy was compelled to throw up the proposition in disgust. Although he did not succeed he must be given credit for being alive to the opportunity for showing to the world one of its foremost song birds singling in the streets of San Francisco in mild-winter in a light evening gown and surrounded by a crowed that totalled at least 100,000 persons.

The action brought by Jeanette Dupre against Clarence Koth, Max Dill and their former manager Nat Magner for \$85ll back stlary and \$5,000 for breach of contract was dismissed last week in the United States Circuit Court on motion of the defendant's attorney, on the ground that the court did not have jurisdiction, as nothing appeared in the complaint or testimony of the plaintiff that would show that she had action for more than \$2.000 Cases of this character envolving not more than the amount do not come under the jurisdiction of the Federal Court. Miss Dupre testfield that in 1907 she was brought from the at under contract to the defendants to perform with the Kolb & Dill Co. at the Davis Thesire in this city for twelve weeks at a salary of \$150 a week, salary payable weekly. Within four weeks of the expiration of the contract she was paid \$110. The amount due was \$300. A demand was made upon her to sign a receipt in full which she refused to do. She testified Magner proceeded te abuse her

and threatened her with arrest for receiving the \$116 and refusing to sign the receipt. The court held that Miss Dupre acted properly in refusing to go on with her engagement.

('OLUMBIA (Gottlob & Marx, mgrs; direction K. & E.)—"Dollar Princess."
SAVOY (Fred Busey, mgr.; direction John Cort).—Mary Mannering in "A Man's World."
PRINCESS (S. L. Loverich, mgr.; direction John Cort).—"The Queen of the Moulin Plants."

PRINCESS (OT),—"The Queen of Rouge" (Fig. 1) (Prince of the Rouge of t

Ponles."

ALCAZAR (Belasco & Mayer, mgrs.; stock),
Evelyn Vaughan and Bertram Lytell in
"Salomy Jane"
OIBON CAFE (A. J. Becker, mgr.; amusement director, Tony Lubelski).— The World
Famous Dayton": Hazel Wainwright; "Just
Three English Girls"; Anii Deer; Al Almont
and Mile. Dumont. The Great International
Four.

Four.
PORTOLA-LOUVRE (Herbert Meyerfeld, gen. mgr.)—Aurora Arriasa; Lily Liliian; Roberts and Roberts; Suzanne Remi; Cosmopolitan Trio

BOSTON By J. Gooltz.

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KEITH'S (Harry E. Gustin, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.).-Heet bill in months. Van der Koors, pleased; Hathaway, Kelly & Mack, well ikked; Neil & Chapman, conedy sketch, humorous; Four Song Writers, good; Bedini & Arthur, same hit as ever; Ethel Green, good songs, good singer; Edwin Stevens, aided by Miss Tinn Marshall, clever; Iloey & Lee, parodles well ilked; Sebastian Merrili Co., good workers on wheels, comedy missing; pictures. ORPHEUM (V. J. Morris, mgr.; agent, Loew)-Lucier; Kitty Robinson; Powers Bros.; Three Shorties; Ethel Whiteside & Picks; Tommy Dugan; Laughing Tourists, Arthur Kirk; Fox & Evans; Hazel Moran; Dorothy Descelet, Will Van Allen; Carl Damann Troup; Both Trio; Madeline Gallagher; pictures.

Fred Marde has doubled the size of his suite and is greeting his friends with a Happy New Year, in enlarged quarters. He is now occupying suite 522-523 of the Colonial Thea-tre Building.

PHILADELPHIA By George M. Young.

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KE!THI'S (H. T. Jordan, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.)—A splendid tribute was paid Julius Steger and his excellent play "The Fifth-Commandment" here on Monday when one of the largest audier ces that has ever crowded its way into the theattre listened with breathless Interest to the sketch from start to finish, interrupting only once to applaud Mr. Steger as he made an exit following the most dramatic portion of the piece. The dramatic number was offered in sixth position and followed three straight singing numbers and the comedy talking and singing act of Charles and Fanny Van, yet so impressed was the great holiday throng with the sketch and the splendid presentation by Mr. Steger, Maude Earl and C. W. Goodrich, that there was not an instant when the alightest unrest was noticeable. "The Fifth Commandment" has been seen here before, but never under the same conditions, and it is doubtful if any dramatic skitch of such intense atmosphere as this one, has ever been received in such a manner. At the finish an outburst of applause in great volume old how much it was enjoyed. Another spiendid bill was offered as a holiday feast, the general average being better than last week. The Alpine Troupe opened strongly with their showy wire act, the double and triple mount tricks standing out specially. Doily Connolly

and Percy Wenrich were the first of the three singing acts and they put over a solid hit. All but one number was new and Miss Connolly added a bit of neat stepping which helped some. The Avon Comedy Four found the going very soft, their hilarious fun and songs being capital stuff for an audience that was bursting with good cheer. It needed a strong singing act to hold up the pace, however, and the gold the control of the pace of the control of the cont

without the slightest interruption. It was clever handling and showed results.

VICTORIA (Jay Mastbaum, mgr.; agent, H. Bart McHugh).—Jacob Brothers; Pearl Young; Wilson and Hayes; Van and Davis; Knox Brothers; John J. Devlin; Pewee Minstrels; Mizunox Japs; The Tollis; pictures.

PALACE (Jules E. Aronson, mgr.; agents, Taylor & Kaufman).—Cricket Thorne; Bilm and Vincent; Orth and Lillian; Gordon and Gordon; Edith Barton; Petching Brothers; Three Browns; Delaney and Wohlman; Great Una and Edith Wardell; pictures.

BIJOU (Joseph Dougherty, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.—"Night in a Boarding School"; George Thatcher; Four Harmonists; Samuel Thorners and Co.; Joe Fauton's Awakening Athites; Rosalle Sistens; Pollard; pictures.

WILLIAM PENN (Geo. Meizel, mgr.; Fitzpatrick Agency).—U. S. A. Boys, military driff; Hennings, Lew's and Hennings; C. Q. D. Jark Irwin; Gertrude Fiske; Sam J. Curtls and Co.; Cline and Chicklets. Pierures.

NIXON (F. G. Nixon Nirdlinger, mgr.; agent, Nixon-Nirdlinger Vandeville Agency).—Molasso's L'Amour de L'Apache; Luken's Louis; Marachon Quartet; John and Jessle Powers; De Haas Brothers; Great Barnettl. Ptotre.

PARK (F. G. Nixon-Nirdlinger, mgr.; agent, Mgr.; agent

PARK (F. G. Nixon-Nirdlinger, mgr.; agent, Nixon-Nirdlinger, Vaudeville, Agency).—Tom Terris and Co. in "Scrooge"; Zarelli and De Amon; An Goza: Ressle La Count: Frank's Poodles; Beltrah and Beltrah; Musical Pippin. Pictures.

PEOPLES (F. G. Nixon-Nirdlinger, mgr.; agent, Nixon Nirdlinger Vandwille Agency)—Power's elephant Jess; Cole and Coleman; John Zimmer: Blocksom and Burns; Belle Carmen; Jack Arc. Pictures.

STANDARD (F. G. Nixon-Nirdlinger, mgr.; agent, Nixon-Nirdlinger Vaudeville Agency)—Carplo: The Wheelers; Three Troubadours; Great Diamond; Hanjes Sisters. Pictures.

FOREPAUGH'S (Miller & Kaufman, mgrs.; agents, Taylor & Kaufman).—Four Bragdons; The Savoys; Ricardo; The Leonards; The Vannersons; Harry Campbell. Pictu.es.
Liberty (M. W. Taylor, mgr.; agents, Taylor & Kaufman).—The "Hold Up"; Ross and Snow; Ethel Clerise; Harry Schroeder and Co.; Basebail Quartet. Pictures.
COLONIAL (F. Wolfe, mgr.; agent, Taylor & Kaufman).—Groteaque Randolphs; Lewis' Dogs; Victor Faust; Freeman and Fiske. Pictures.
GIRARD (Miller & Kaufman, mgrs.; agents, Taylor & Kaufman).—Duffy and Edwards; Filnt George and Co.; Raffins Monkeys; Nicholas and Housley; Laurle and Alleen. Second half—Cole and Hastings; Ferguson and Mack; Kullerno Brothers; Claude Ranf. Pictures.
EMPIRE (Stanford & Western, mgrs.; agents, Taylor & Kaufman).—Ferguson and Mack; Kullerno Brothers; Cole and Hastings; Claude Ranf. Second half—Duffy and Edwards; Fint George and Co.; Raffins Monkeys; Nicholas and Housley; Laurle and Alleen. Pictures.
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wirds; Finit George and Co.; Ruffins Monkeys; Nicholas and Housley; Laurie and Alleen. Pictures.

MANHEIM (Fuhrman Bros. mgrs.; agents. Taylor & Kaufman).—Hunter and Sears; Brooks and Jennette; Tom Howard and Co.; Smith, Juggler. Second haif—Hillian Coulson; The Abearns; Warren and Dale; Tom Howard and Co. GEM (Morris & Ancke, mgrs.; agenta, Taylor & Kaufman).—Wilson and Stone; Richmond Sisters; J. W. Cooper. Second haif—Five Grenadlers; Sarah Meyers; Brown and Sheftel. Pictures.

TWENTY-NINTH ST. PALACE (C. H. Kellner, mgr.; agents, Taylor & Kaufman).—Brown and Sheftel; Five Grenadlers; Sarah Meyers, Brown and Sheftel; Five Grenadlers; Sarah Meyers, Brown and Sheftel; Five Grenadlers; Sarah Meyers, Brown Sisters; Smith, Juggler. Pictures.

TWENTY-NINTH ST. PALACE (C. H. Kellner, mgr.; agent, Grenadlers; Sarah Meyers, Second haif—Wilson and Stone; Richmond Sisters; Smith, Juggler. Pictures.

PLAZA (Chas. Oelschager, mgr.; agent, Bart McHugh).—The Paleys; Broun Sisters; The Carenos; Navai Trio. Last Haif—Dolly Marshali; Steffins; Stewart & Donoghue; Zanley Troupe.

GLORE (Hen Israel, mgr.; agent, H. Bart McHugh).—The Springers; Heimonts; George-Howard; Lussier Sisters. Last Haif—Miller & Russell; Ward & Hurst; George Wachs; Phenomone.

AUDITORIUM (W. Herchenfelder, mgr.; AUDITORIUM (W. Herchenfelder, mgr.;

Russell, Ward & Hurst; George Wachs; Premonona.

AED/TO/RUM (W. Herchenreider, mgr.;
agent, H. Bart McHugh).—Ward & Hurst; Bert
Tyson; Attel Sisters Last half-Zelda Bros.;
George Herrd, Melville & O'Nell.

GERMANTOWN (Walter Stumpfig mgr.;
agent, Chas. J. Kraus).—Goyt Trio; Brily
agent, Chas. J. Kraus).—Goyt Trio; Brily
agent, Chas. J. Kraus).—Goyt Trio;
Brille Billad, Gorgias Bros.;
Wilkins and Wilkins Second Half-Volta
Electric Marvel; Iva Irly; Seymour and Dugree; Lambert and Williams; Ariel Ballad.

JUMBO (H. Hegner, mgr.; agent Chas J
Kraus).—James Reynolds; Perry Spencer and
Co.; Gertrude Dudiey and Co.; Van Cleve,
Denton and The Mule. Second Half-Van
Cleve, Denton and The Mule; Gorgias Bros.;
Kaimos; Harry Taylor.

S2ND STRIEFT (Chas. J. Kraus, agent).—
Ranzette and La Rue; Iva Irby; Coyella and
Morrell; Mozarto. Second Half May Mitchell;
My-terious Moor; Le Roy Ind Paul; Day,
Night and Day.

AURORA (Dounelly and Collins mgr.; agent).—

Clast I Kraus.—Goychet and Williams.

My-derions Moor; Le Roy Ind Faur; Day, Night and Day.

AURORA (Dounnelly and Collins mgrs; agent, Chas J. Krans).—Lambert and Wilhams, Clark and Co.; Nettle Knive; Hoff and Wallace, Scoond Half-Scoto, Kline Sisters; Sanford and Darlington; Tom Kerr,

IRIS (M. W. Walsh, mgr; agent, Chas; J. Kraus). Mysterlous Moore; Walthout Trio; Tom Kerr; J. C. Mack and Co. Scoond Half Latow; Gertrude Dudley and Co.; Ferry Speacer and Co; Walthour Trio.

CASINO (Mr. Long, mgr; agent, Chas J. Kraus).—Kalmos; Latow; Friedland and Clark, Baby Sobelson. Second H. f. Mac De Von and Co; Harris and Beurga. Focker and Lawrence; James Reyaolds.

(From the New Haven "Palladium.")
MISS D'ARMOND 18 STAR AT POLI'S.
"Back to the old town. Those few words
means much to many, but to those in the
'profesh'—burr-r-r. It's generally the byword for soft music and arnens. Yet the old
expression that a performer can never make
a hit in his or her town was given the doublecross yesterday. The same diminutive little
labell D'Armond whom New Haven had the
distinction of having as a resident during those
few years before she decided to take to the
footlights.
"Well, since Isabeli has been and the

few years before she decided to take to the footlights.

"Well, since Isabell has been on the stage she has been no stranger to our city. Her appearance as a feature in 'The Beauty Spot' will iong be remembered. Then she went into vaudeville, and the latter part of last season was welcomed back to our city. She appears this time with George Moore, a clever young fellow, late of the De Wolf Hopper company. "The couple have a little skit they call 'Jolly Junk'. The name's not artistic, but what's in a name, anyway? They sing, dance, and, in need of a better word, joke. It all goes big. As soon as the little New Haven miss appeared she got a hand which grew warmer as things progressed. On the whole, the team present a great act."

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and clever for anything.

"George Moore, formerly of the De Wolf
D'opper company, assisted times so often you wonder whether the change and the so often you wonder whether the change and the so often you wonder whether wardrobe. Miss D'Armond and
Mr. Moore both sing and dance so cleverly and
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artist little Isabell D'Armond is that particular
one."

HIPPODROME PALACE (Chas. Segal, mgr.; agent, Chas. J. Kraus).—Harry Taylor; Harris and Dufy; Musical Sharplys. Second Haif—Nettle Knice; Hoff and Rex; Dudleys.
PRINCESS (Chas. Segal, mgr.; agent, Chas. J. Kraus).—Fosto. Second Haif—Mozarto; Miss Harriet.
GRAND (M. W. Walsh, mgr.; agent, Chas. J. Kraus).—Nealion and Clayton. Second Haif—Sid Williams.
GAYETY (John P. Eckhardt, mgr.).—"Coliege Girls."
TROCADERO (Sam M. Dawson, mgr.).—"Dreamland Burlesquers."

Norman Jefferies, the booking agent of this city has been confined to his home several days through serious illness. He is reported to be on the road to recovery.

A. Koenig, one of the lessees of the Casino, was the first theatre manager to contribute personality to the fund for the families of the firemen who were killed in the recent disaster here. In addition to lending his help to the monster benefit being arranged by all the theatre managers in the city, Mr. Koenig donated \$100 in cash to the fund.

ATLANTIC CITY

By I. B. Pulaski.
YOUNG'S PIER (Jack D. Flynn. mgr.; agent, U. B. O.).—Daxie, in "La Tragedie D'lun Mardi Gras," artistic triumph, wonderful applause; Mahoney Bros. and Daisey, dances and comedy, fine and went big; Crotten Bros., acrobats, excellent; Luciano Luc-

ca, double-voiced singer, excellent, went big; A. O. Duncan, ventriloquist, very well liked; Sterling and Woods (New Acts); Savo, jugkier, excellent.
SAVOY (Harry Brown, mgr.; agent, Louis Wesley).—Pive Empire Girls, good; Hamilton Coelman and Co., in "A Southern Romance," well liked; Bob Fern, "coon shouter," hit; Jeukins and Covert, in 'Just Married," went big; Inza and Lorella, comedy acrobats, clever; The Marshalls, s. and d., good; Leona Guerner, songs, wry good; Lew Hoffman, Jugner, songs, vry good; Lew Hoffman, Jugner, P. EchlaSE PIER (R. Morgan and W. H. Fennan, mgrs.).—M. P.
MILLION DOLLAR PIER (J. L. Young and Kennedy, mgrs.).—M. P.

Al. H. Wilson, in "Metz in Ireland," was the attraction at the Apolio Monday and Tuesday. Wednesday Thomas Dixon, the author of "The Clansman," appeared in a new play on the race question, entitled "The Sins of the Father." "The Country Boy" was the attraction the last two days of the week.

The town was thronged with many visitors down for the New Year's boildays, and the theatres all did a capacity business, every unusual for this season of the year. Many people well known in theatrical circles were present, among whom were Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Williams, Maurice Goodman, Ray Comstock, Louis Wesley and many others.

Among those here all week were Mrs. Maurice Shapiro, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Bryan, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Bryan, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Von Tilzer, Max Winslow and Addisoft Burkhardt. These folk had many jolly parties. They were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Schackelford on several occasions. Mrs. Shapiro gave a dinner party Wednesday evening in celebration of the seventeenth anniversary of her marriage. During the feast she received a cabiegram of congratulations from her husband, who is in London.

ST. LOUIS By Frank B. Anfenger.

COLUMBIA (Frank Tate, mgr.; agent, Orpheum Circuit).—Balzars; Harry Atkinson; Horton and Latriska; Davis and Walker; Lou Anger; "The Police Inspector"; Hite and Doniin; Schaar Wheeler Trio.

PRINCESS (Dan S. Fisheli, mgr.; agent, William Morris).—Reveile and Deery; Morris and Kramer; Anna Boyd and Co., appealing sketch; Neil McKinley, effective; Four Armanths, pretty and agile; Tyler and Burton, extremely graceful roller skating; Genaro and Balley, good as ever; Carpetti Brothers, comic acrobate.

SHUBERT (Meivilie Stoiz, mgr.)—"Two Men and a Giri."

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Unknown and with no flash of display advertising, O'Hearn appeared second on the bill at the Sunday performance and stopped the show. After this he was placed to close the performance, a rare spot for a dramatic act.

Others on the programme are Al Fleid, formerly of Field and Lewis; Foy and Clark, the Four Keenes and Black and White. O'Hearn took seven curtains and was compelled to make a speech O'Hearn's work is not unlike Chauncey Olcott's and his pleasant voice wins the audience. Little was expected of O'Hearn by the public, as he was not placed prominently in the house advertising. But the public picked him above the others on merit, disregarding the order of billing.

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GAYETY (Frank V. Hawley, mgr.)-"Marathon Giris"

Dan Fishell is out already with an offer for Jimmy Callahan if he is chosen manager of the Browns at \$500 per between now and the baseball season.

Jessie Carter, daughter of well-known St. Louis music teacher, is a member of Louis Mann Company in "The Cheater" at the Gar-rick this week.

More than half of the fund for the new \$200,000 German theatre has been subscribed. The proposed site is Delmar and Grand Ave-

CINCINNATI By Harry Hess.

By Harry Hees.

COLUMBIA (H. K. Shockley, mgr.; agent. U. B. O.; Sunday rehearsai 11).—Kitamura Japs, beautifuily staged; Lawrence and Fitzgeraid, excellent; Hayes and Johnson, hit; Four Fords, hit; Josie Haather, scored; Maciyn Arbuckle and Co., in "The Welcher," big; Conroy and Lemaire, laughable; Four Londons, fine.

ORPHEUM (G. H. Jordan, mgr.; agent, William Morris; Sunday rehearsai 10).—Three Yoscarys, excellent; Mattle Lockett, fair, but in wrong house; Williams and Tucker, hit; Fred Riverhail, songs, risque; Four Living Norins, featured; Violinski, hit; Aiva York, songs, risque; Wilton Bros., good; Lamb's Manikins, workings of figures plainly visible, hurting effect; Josie and Willie Barrows, clever. ("Risque" ms r is not for the Orpheum).

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mgr.; Sunday ery fine; Wood ner and Elliott, ell, fine; Tom and Lawson, excellent; or and Eillott, funny; Bigelow and C; ell, fine; Tom Dempsey, very good; Arthu LaVine and Co., featured.

Dempsey, very good; Arth LaVine and Co., featured.

AMERICAN (E. W. Dustin, mgr.; agenta.

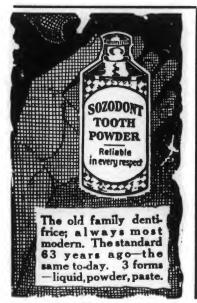
W. V. A. and Gus Sun; Monday rehearsal

Di.—Turner, fair; Chas. Fairchild, fair; Mack and Vener, ordinary; Cora Youngblood

Corson Sextet, excellent; Percy Reed, good; Smith and Rose, hit; Howard and Dolores, fair; Edna Harian, neat; Gilbert Fitzgerald and Co., good.

ALTOONA, PA.

ORPHEUM (A. E. Denman, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; Rehearsal Monday 11).—Rose Felmar, good; Ben Smith, entertaining; Jas. F. Leonard and Co., big laugh; Four De Wolfs, Deasing. G. L. WONDERS.



AUBURN, N. Y.

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BURTIS-GRAND (Maj. T. S. Tunison, mgr.; agent, Joe Wood; Rehearsal Monday 11).—
Barlow and Franklin, good; Billy Elilott, entertaining; Robertus and Dog, clever; Barbeau Family, excellent; Echo Singing Four, very good; Stewart Sisters and Escorts, pleasing; Lester, Laurie and Quinn, very good; Great Poole, clever; Jarvis and Martynne, hit; Taylor and Fablan, excellent; "Sexton's Dream," pleased; Carley Carlos, clever; Montsorts, scream; Court and Whelan, nlcely.

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MOTION WORLD (E. M. Day, mgr.; agent, I. B. A.; Rebearsal Monday 10).—Alton and Arlias, clever; Beverly and Mercer, entertaining; Du Moulin, excellent; Fairchild Sisters, good; Musical Seeleys, good; Dog and Pony Show, amusing.

HAPPYLAND (Frank Simpson, mgr.; agent, Gus Sun; Rebearsal 11).—Wm. S. Le Vard's Minstrel Troupe, excellent.

CHARLES R. BAUMLINE.

ALLENTOWN, PA.

ORPHEUM (Geo. W. Carr, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; Rehearsal Monday and Thursday 10:30).—Venetian Four, strong; Healey and Barry, appliause; The Stedmans, pleased; Frank Le Dent, clever, FERGOLA (D. E. Knorr, mgr.; agent, Clevelands; Rehearsal Monday and Thursday 11).—Beatrice Brady, great; The Herberts, pleased; Baker and Cornalla, laughable.

Beatrice Brady, a local child phenom, is doing great work at the Pergola. For a child, she is possessed of a wonderful voice and a charming stage presence. W. J. McGRATH.

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COLONIAL (F. E. Johnson, mgr.; agent, Fleber & Shea; Monday rehearsal 10; Thursday 12.30).—22-24 Dixon and Hall, well liked; Braggaar Bros., clever; Anderson and Evans, ordinary; Frank Markley, good; Goyt Trio, excellent; Clark & Bergman, big hit. Big business. 24:-28 Stanley and Edwards Co., excellent; Markee Bros., ordinary; Four Stag Fooles, entertaining; Dave Ferguson, well liked; English and Carnahan, clever; Krenka Bros., big hit. Xmas business phenominal.—NORKA (M. C. Winter, mgr.; agent, Gus Sun; Monday rehearsal 11).—Reopened this week with seven acts.—HAPPY HOUR (J. Stanley, mgr.; agents Brazee & Farro).—Three acts and pictures, fair business.—STAR (J. W. Mathias, mgr... agent, Bert Marshall).—Four acts and pictures, good business.—GRANI) (O. L. Elsier, mgr.).—24 "Monte Carlo Girls," burlesque, packed two performances.

AUGUSTA, ME.

OPERA HOUSE (T. H. Cuddy, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.).—2-3, Mile. Unita, clever; Boyle and Evans, good.
COMIQUE (H. S. Morrill, mgr.; agent, I. B. A.).—2-4, Allxs, good.
J. FREMONT DEARBORN.

BALTIMORE.

MONUMENTAL (Monty Jacobs, mgr.).— 'The Rollickers."

GAYETY (Wm. L. Ballauf, mgr.).—Irwin's
'Big Show."

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NEW (Chas. Whitehurst, mgr.; agents, Feeber and Shea).—"Examination Day at School," amusing; William Sherman and Co., tunny; Flo. Zeller and Koilins Boys, good; Jack Royce, fair; Mack and Dean, average; Delano, daring; Florence Wilson, usual; Echo Four, harmonious, VICTORIA (Chas E. Lewis, mgr.; agent, Wm. Josh Daly).—"The Raven's Nest." entertaining; Bastin's Monkeys, weil trained; John Rice, bit; Leurn Martel Trio, excellent; Lynder and Dorman, clever; Some Quartet; average; Steppe and Le Roy, scored; Charles McDonnid and Co., well received Charles Wilson (M. L. Schabbley, mgr.; agent. Norman Jeffries).—Ten Cantellies, spicndid; Fred Cole's Dogs, pleased; Rose Dupre, fair; liering and Hering, well received. LARRY.

BUFFALO, N. Y.

SilEA'S (M. Shea, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; Rehearsa! !). Curtis Aeroplane, hit; Dr. Herman, pleased; Laddie Cliff, good; Lottie Wilams, good; Anna Chandler, fine; Frank Milton and De Long Sisters, scream; Cadets de Gascogne, good; Camilie Trio, great.

W. GEE.

CLEVELAND, O.

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PROSPECT (H. A. Danlles, mgr.; agent.
U. B. O.; Monday rehearsal 10).—Potter and
Harris, clever; Sprague and
Walton and Vivian, ht; Marle Sparrow, won
favor; Augustus Neville and Co., headline;
Markie Bros., good.
STAR (Drew and Campbell, mgrs.; Monday
rehearsal 10).—'Girls From Dixle."

EMPIRE (E. A. McCardel, mgr.; Monday
rehearsal 10).—'Serenaders."

WALTER D. HOLCOMB.

DAYTON, OHIO.

LYRIC (Max Hurtig, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.).—Macagno Bros., fair; Dora Ronca, good; World and Kingston, very good; Gland and Fanny Usher, big hit; Frank Stafford and Co., very good; Dave Ferguson, laughing hit; Bothweil Browne, clever. R. W. MYERS.

DES MOINES.

ORPHEUM.—Week 25, Ben Meyer and Brother, cyclists, artistic; Earl and Curtis, in good sketch; Rosson Midgets, well liked; The Neapolitans, scored; "Tony and the Stork," good sketch; Sevor and Mack, good; Flying Bouvards, best aerial act of season. MAJESTIC.—Aline and hoops, good; Doyle and Fields, liked; "Why He Reformed," fair sketch; "Take a Pill," good variety number; Slegimato Japanese, good.

ELGIN, ILL.

GRAND (Theilan & Prickett, mgrs.; agent, W. V. A.; Monday-Thursday rehearsal 5).—Polland & Palk, bit; Al. Allan, fine; Hart Children, good; Botawasish Troupe, sensation. H. F. BARTLETT.

ELMIRA, N. Y.

HAPPY HOUR (G. H. Ven Demark. mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; Monday reb traal 11).—Queen City Quartet, bit; Harry Dale, well received. Pictures. J. M. BEERS.

ERIE. PA.

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COLONIAL (A. P. Weschier, mgr.; agent, Gus Sun; Rehearsal Monday 10).—Gregoire & Elmina, clever; Leo Carrillo, went big; Lasky's Double Sextet, excellent; l'ete Baker billed, but unable to appear, lliness. PARK (Jeff Calian, mgr.; agent, U. B. O. Rehearsal Monday 10).—Mons. Terbreh, claasy musical Personi and Italilday, clever; Billy Mann, big; Edmund Stanley and Co., splendid; Hayes and Wynne, good dancers; Selma Braatz and Co., clever.

HAPPY HOU's (D. H. Connelly, mgr.; agent, Bert Marshall).—Barry Gleason, good; Henderson and Sheldon, good; Marvin Bros. clever.

clever.
ALPHA (S. H. Bunce, mgr.; agent, direct; Rehearsal Monday 10).—Edha Leader, good. Pictures.
M. H. MIZENER.

FALL RIVER, MASS.

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SAVOY (Julius Cahn, lessee and mgr.;
L. M. Boas, bus. mkr.; agent, Loew; Rehearsal Monday 10).—De Gar Sisters, good; Leona and Dale, very good; Johnny Johnson, good; Harmsay's "Country Life," applauded; John R. Gordon Co., excellent; Armstrong and Clark, good; Four Bards, bit.—BIJOU (L. M. Boas, mgr.; agent, direct; Rehearsal Monday 10).—2-4, Will Van Allen, good; Bert and Emma Spears, very kood; Carl Denmann Troupe, excellent.—PREMIER (L. M. Boas, mgr.; agent, direct; Rehearsal Monday 10).—2-4, Harry Mantel, good; McCabe and Vogel, very good.

FORT WORTH, TEX.

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MAJESTIC (T. W. Mullaiy, mgr.; agent, interstate).—Week 26, Rex Circus, very good; Yuill and Boyd, good; Lucas and Fields, well iked; Sam Hood, b. f., good; Boynton and Burke, good; Fred Zobedle, well received.

IMPERIAL (W. H. Ward, mgr.; agent, C. E. Hodkins).—Jess Edwards and Dogs, good; Arlington and Helston; Polly Harger, entertaining; Lawrene Williams and Co., well liked; Myrtle Victorine, very good.

PRINCESS (Joe Arnoff, mgr.).—Martini and Maxmillian, good; Boyle Bros, good jukglers; Rafacl, well liked; Conners and Fox, dancers; Erminnie Earl, singer, well received.

HARRISBURG, PA.

ORPHEUM (C. F. Hopkins, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; Rehearsal Monday 10).—Jeter and Rogers, pleased; Goowin and Elliott, fair, Hawthorne and Burt, laughs; Sydney Shields and Co., scored; Nonette, excellent; Gus Edwards' Schoolboys and Giris, hit; Four Konerz Bros., very good. J. P. J.

HARTFORD, CONN.

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POLI'S (O. C. Edwards, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; Monday rehearsai 10).—Joe Maxwell and Co., went big; Christy and Willis, applause; Shriner and Wills, good; Adelaide Herrman, mystifying; Harry Fox and Millership Sisters, big; Gordon and Marx, funny; Balisrinl's Dogs, good; M. P.—HARTFORD (Fred. P. Dean, mgr.; agent, James Clancy; Monday and Thursday rehearsal 11).—2-4. Golden and Hughes, big hit (held over); Siebert and Strauss, good; Thes Lightner, pleased; McCourt and Fisher, claver; The Spauldings, darling; M. P. 5-7. Golden and Hughes, Clarence Sisters and Brother; Whitey and Bell; Yasgimate Japs. M. P. R. W. OLMSTED.

HOUSTON, TEX.

COZY (Maurice Wolf, mgr.; agent, C. E. Hodkins; Sunday rehearsal 11).—Marquis and Lynn, hit; Cantor and Curtis, good; Great Kitchi, good; Donita, big; Williams and Sterling, good; Larnes' Imperial Musicians, very good.

JAMESTOWN, N. Y.

LYRIC (H. A. Deardourf, mgr.; agent, Gus Sun; Rehearsal Monday 10).—Seymour's Dogs, fine; Mysterlous Edna, excellent; Mar-teill and Rossi, good; Rose Brunni Trio pleased. L. T. BERLINER.

JOLIET, ILL.

COLISEUM (Chas E. Stevenson, mgr.; agent, Cox).—Stillman and Co., hit; Melnott, La Nole Trio, excelent; Bolton, Haye-and Bolton, scored; Raymond and Belmont, clever; Billie McRoby, good; Arden Ackert, pieased.

ALBERT J. STEVENS.

LOS ANGELES.

CORPHEUM (Martin Beck, gen. mgr.; agent, direct; Monday rehearsal 10).—Week 26, William Farnum, health in institution in the transfer of the t

LOUISVILLE, KY.

MARY ANDERSON (J. L. Weed, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.).—Godfrey and Henderson, good; Bob Sandberg and Lee, pleasing; "Spirit Paintings," interesting; McIntyre and Heath, hit; Stepp, McIninger and King, good; Work and Ower, clever.

HOPKINS (I. Simons, mgr.; agent, Princess Am. Co.).—Baker Troupe, clever; Violet Allen and Co., good; Searle and George, hit; Walton and Brandt, good; Excella and Frank. good.

good.
BUCKINGHAM (Horace McCrooklin, mgr.). "Imperlals," good show,
GAYETY (Al. Bouller, mgr.). "The
Parisian Widows." J. M. OPPENHEIMER

MONTREAL.

ORPHEUM (Geo F. Driscoll, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.).—Schichti's Mannikins, went big; Nellie V. Nichols, hit; Donley and Sayles, rlot; Berger's Players, pleased; Namba Japs, very clever; Haviland and Thorston, scream; Field Brothers, went well; Lappo and Benjamin, amising aerolasts.—THEATIEE FRANCAIS (Geo Henle, mgr.; agest, Loew). Adams

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MUNCIE, IND.

STAR (Ray Andrews, mgr.; agent, Gus Sun; Rebearsal Monday 10::30).—Eddle Gardner, took well; Miller Bros., good; Leouard and Drake, pleased; Grace Emmett and Co., bit. GEO. W. FIFER.

NEWARK, N. J.

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PROCTOR'S (R. C. Stewart, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; rehearsal Monday 9).—Hilly B Van and Beaumont Sisters, scream; Fanny Rice, good; Gerald Griffin and Co., in "Other People's Money," very humorous; Royal Tokio Troupe, clever; Two Pucks, entertaining; Mac Christian sang; Lewis and Casey; Major and Roy, teok.

GOURT.—2-4. "The Operator"; Lillian Siers, Joe Hardman, The Tanakas, Dainty Diana, Evans and Harrington, Florence Modena and Co., Howard and White, Eleanor Jess, Williams Bros, Moore Sisters, La Vier.

ARCADE (L. O. Mumford, mgr.; rebearsal Monday 10).—Mme. Kora, Kreisel, Burt Greene, Ward and Mack, Three Topseys, Avis Mathals, Billy Randail, The Cannons, Billy Nelson and Azzaras, Boy Hand, extended engagement.

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OAKLAND, CAL.

ORPHEUM (Martin Beck, gen. mgr.; agent. direct). Charles Fletcher and Co.; Quigley Bros.; Cross and Josephine; Joe Jackson. Holdovers-Edwin Arden; Alexander and Scott; Maud Rochez; Mr. Hymack.
BELL (Jules Cohn, mgr.).-Beatrice Turner; Romain; Knight Bros. and Sawtelle; Reilly and Flo Wells; Dal's Country Choir; Rube Dickinson.

OTTAWA, CAN.

OHTAWA, CAM.

DOMINION.— Develda and Zelda, fair; Moffet and Clare, good; Donald and Carson, bag; Loney Haskell, very good; Eellx and Harry Girl, good; Lydla Barry, excellent; Rayno's Dogs, good.

FAMILY.—Gracey and Burnett, good; Ruth Belmar, clever; Brown and Brown, very good; Juliet Wood, Interesting; Great Ripon, excellent; Benedettos, good.

LASCAL HASKELL.

PITTSBURGH, PA.

GRAND (Harry Davis, mar.) agent, John P. Harris; Releversh Monday 90. Williams and Schwartz, hit; Mathon Gressen and Icc. pleased; Arthur Dearon, reed; Rose Royal and Classfulled Royal; March Classfulled Royal; March Classfulled Royal; March Common well received; Allivetti Tre-bakenr, negrouse; Stick-mey's Animals Interest; Vacct's Pergerband Co., big het.
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Winnie Worth, good, Laireaux 1978, good.
LiBelfry (Abe Cohen, mgr.; agent, Gus
Sun; Rehearsal Monday 9).—Cleopold and
Francis, pleased; Florence Arnold, very good
Harry Morse and Co., well received; Zeb Zarrow Troupe, good.
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GAYETY (Henry Kurtzman, mgr.).—"Queen of the Jardin de Paris."

ACADEMY (Harry Williams, mgr.).
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PITTSFIELD, MASS.

EMPIRE (J. H. Tebbetts, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; Rehearsal Monday 10).—Mr. and Mrs. V. Esposito, sones, went well; Charlotte Parry, protean sketch, pleased; J. Warren Keane, very good; Lawrence Robinson, ventriloquists, very good; Alonso-Bracco Troupe, acrobats, good.

FRANKLIN.

PORTLAND, ME.

PORTLAND (J. W. Greely, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; Rehearsal 10).—Robinson Trio, well received; Mabel Carew, trennendous hit; Webster, Cullison and Villa Co., roar; Huxtables, unusual; Detmar Troue, fine.

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PORTSMOUTH, O.

SUN (R. R. Russell, mgr.; agent, direct; Monday rehearsal 10).—Norton and Russell, took well; Jno Ton Boulahls, good, Sophie Everett and Co., pleased.

MAJESTIC (Maler and Reineger, mgrs.; agent, Coney Holmes; Monday rehearsal 10).—Vivian Delarndo Co., great; Ethel Le Rue, fair; Stellings, well appliaded; Sir Gerenal, pleased.

GORDON.

READING, PA.

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ORPHEUM (C. C. Egan, mgr.; agent, U. B.
O.; Monday and Thursday rehearsal 10.30).—
Elsie Tuell, pleased; Stewart and Marshall,
laughs; Chas. Lee Caulder and Co., well liked;
4 Indian Elephants, very good.—LYRIC
(Frank D. Hill, mgr.; agent, Loew; Monday
and Thursday rehearsal 10.—Doria Operatic
Trio, well received.—PALACE (W. K. Goldenberg, mgr.; agent, McHugh; Monday and
Thursday rehearsal 10.30).—Whirlwind and
Winona, good; Stewart and Donohue, liked;
Steffins, pleased; Phillips and Clinton, laugh;
Zanley Troupe, very good.

G. R. H.

RENOVO, PA.

FAMILY (Albright & McCarthy, mgrs; re-hearsal Monday and Thursday 3,30).-2.4.-Four Musical Woods, very good; Goodrich and Ling'am, hit; Herman K. Seltz, excellent. 5-7--MacLauchler Bros., Rite Ashner. WM. E. ALLBRIGHT.

RICHMOND, VA.

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COLONIAL (E. P. Lyons, mgr.; agent, Norman Jeffries; rehearsal Monday 11).—C. H. France and Co., good; Charlie Banks, good; Great Santel & Co., hit.—LUBIN (C. Boyles, mgr.; agent, Norman Jeffries; rehearsal Monday 11).—Honan and Heim, hig hit; The Merediths, very good: F. E. Peak, amused.—THEATO (T. L. Toney, mgr.; agent, Theato Exchange; rehearsal Monday 10).—Four Country Cousins, great aerobatics; Great Wanda, holdover; Louisa McGregor, very good.

M. A. WILBER.

ROCK ISLAND, ILLS.

MAJESTIC (J. P. Quinn, mgr.; agent, W. V. A.; rehearsals, 12/30)—Cullen Bros., clever; Kelley and Wentworth, good; Webb Trio. good; John A West, hit

LOUIS F. WENDT.

SALT LAKE CITY.

ORPHEUM.—George Beonn and Co., artistic success: Groat Asabi, movelty. Alexander and Scott, immense: Tare White Knihas, pleased; Felice Morris and Co., good: Lew Weits, likedishil in months. MISSION—Him. Smith, Whits and Estelle. Rezal and Atlana, Allen and Co., M. P. MALESTIC—Burkett, Elmere, Johnson, Armatige Sisters. M. P.

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DAN DIEGO, CAL.

GARRICK (Wm. Tomkins, mgr.; agent, S-C; Monday rehearsal 10).—Five Columbians, very good; Charles Wayne and Co., hit; Seymour and Robinson, well received; Prince and Gaigano, good; Joseph Ketler and Co., pleasing.
PRINCESS (Fred Baillen, mgr.; agent, Bert Levy; Monday rehearsal 10).—Martinez and Jefferson, good; Vardaman, fair; Foley and Erle, good.

DALEY.

SAVANNAH, GA.

SEATTLE, WASH.

PANTAGES (Alex. Pantages, mgr.; agent, direct; Monday rehearsal 11)—Week 26—Dotson and Lucas, good: Tanner and Gilbert, laughable: Holliday and Chartres Sisters, pleased; Rapoli, jugsler, good; Capt, Devlin's Zouaves, headlined, bit; pictures.

The Lewis & Lake Musical Company are playing an engagement of two weeks at the Lois.

The Beil (picture house), has changed ha and the Alaska (another), has lowered price of admission from 10c. to 5c.

Elmer Lissenden, aged 48, died at Tacoma Dec. 23. He was well known in theatrical circles on the Pacific Coast.

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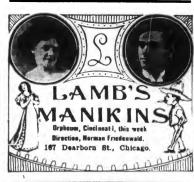
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"Daylight" and "Full Light" Picture Patents Held Respectively by J. J. Murdock and Pat Casey Competing in Same Offices. First Skirmish for Casey.

"Daylight" and "Full Light" moving pictures may start something very soon in the Long Acre Building. John J. Murdock, connected with the United Booking Offices and very strong in his position (whatever that may be) is the president of the Motion Photoplane Co., a corporation formed to handle what are known as "Daylight Pictures."

Pat Casey, the big vaudeville agent, and of much influence in theatricals, is forming a company to operate "Full Light Pictures." Mr. Casey does a great volume of business through the United Booking Offices and also with the Orpheum Circuit, which is affiliated with the United.

While the result obtained by the two processes (both patented) for the display of moving pictures under a full light is the same, the principles involved for the obtaining of that result are different. Mr. Murdock's patent lies within a prepared sheet, upon which the film is thrown. Mr. Murdock's "Daylight Pictures" were first publicly tested at Keith's Philadelphia, sometime ago.

The same effect obtained by Casey's "Full Light" is secured through the projecting machine furnished by the Casey company. The Casey patent was demonstrated lately at Bridgeport, when in addition to the house lights, fully up, a spot light streamed on the picture at the same time.

A regular exhibition of the "Full Light" given at the Nelson, Springfield, Mass., this week, has been reported as thoroughly successful.

The "Full Light" machine was shipped to Montreal and shown there Wednesday night, it is said, despite an effort to prevent the exhibition of the competing patent in a theatre booked through the United. Mr. Murdock is reported to have interviewed Martin

Beck to ascertain if the Orpheum Circuit would install his "Daylight Pictures." Casey, it is said, also looks to Beck for support of the "Full Light" in the Orpheum Circuit theatres. Each company will make a strong bid for the vaudeville theatres on the United circuit.

The ending is expected to develop a brisk battle for business, if nothing else. The Wise acres in local vaudeville are saying that the fight of the "Lights" may line up the vaudeville forces.

While Murdock is heavily intrenched in eastern vaudeville through the support of E. F. Albee, and the scope that has been allowed Murdock in the direction of the agency business of the United Casey has strong allies behind him, without vaudeville considered. It is expected that Mr. Casey will declare for an "even break," perhaps going so far as to insist upon it.

Springfield, Mass., Jan. 12.

A new "full light" picture machine was successfully demonstrated at the Nelson Monday. Local papers gave it considerable space.

Showing moving pictures in a fully lighted theatre has proven a special attraction so far this week. It will probably be installed in all the theatres on the Poll Circuit.

Unlike other inventions to present pictures with the lights on, the "Fuli Light" is brought about through a machine only. The inventor is a man named Herbst, at one time employed by the Eastman Kodak Co. to experiment with non-inflammable films. While there, a matter of two or three months, he worked on the appliance which has been patented.

It consists of an attachment to an ordinary projecting machine. A special tens may also be used, though this is not essential.

SEPARATE MORRIS COMPANIES.

Chicago, Jan. 12.

Edward Bloom, general manager for Wm. Morris, Inc., was in town the early part of the week completing details of the William Morris incorporations in Illinois. The Morris interests in Ohio, New York, Louisiana and Nebraska have previously been incorporated as separate institutions, operating under franchises from William Morris, Inc.

Now comes the American Music Hall Co. of Illinois, with a Mr. Ahlwild, of New York; Col. Thompson, manager of the American, and Jack Lait, the American's press agent, as incorporators. The charter has been filed and the details of incorporation all perfected.

The American and the Morris booking office, managed by J. C. Matthews, will be operated by the new company

The outcome of the new arrangement will obviate the filing of suits against any other than the specific Morris corporation involved. Heretofore claims against William Morris, Inc., have been pressed in the different states where Morris operated interests.

PAULINE ASKS FOR \$40,000.

Chicago, Jan. 12.

Pauline, the hypnotist, has sued William Morris, Inc., for \$40,000, alleging breach of contract.

CANCELS ENTIRE BILL.

Chicago, Jan. 12.

Manager Conderman of the Julian, a "pop" house of the better grade, established a record Monday night, when, after the second show, he closed the entire bill.

MISS MURRAY IS YEARNING.

Report says that Elizabeth Murray, who has been the big score in "Mnie. Sherry" since that piece was first produced, has a yearning for her former love, vaudeville.

Miss Murray was an enjoyable "single" in variety before taking to the musical comedy stage. An offer to star her in a Chicago production will not deter her it is said, if vaudevilie evinces an equal amount of yearning in response.

Geo. S. O'Brien is trying to fix it for each side.

LOUISE BALTHY FOR TWO CITIES.
(Special Cable to VARIETY.)

Paris, Jan. 12.

Louise Balthy will appear at the Follies Bergere for a month. commencing Jan. 15.

She has also been engaged to open at the Palace, London, Feb. 27.

MISS HANEY BACK IN CAST. (Special Cable to Variety.)

Paris, Jan. 12.

Margurite Haney, the principal woman in the revue at the Follies Bergere returned to the cast Monday, having recovered from the illness which caused her to temporarily retire a couple of weeks ago.

Gaby Deslys still pleads illness as the reason for her non-appearance.

ACTORS FILING CLAIMS. (Special Cable to Variety.)

pecial Cable to Variety.) Paris. Jan. 13.

The opening of the Alhambra, Bordeaux, with vaudevilie by Jack De Frece having been indefinitely postponed. Artists engaged for that house have filed claims against the management.

The first report of the Casino closing were incorrect. Mr. De Frece is the manager of that hall as well. Its business has dropped to almost nothing. The final closing is expected daily

An unconfirmed rumor is that Mr. De Frece will take over the Parisiana sometime this month.

AMERICAN TRIO SCORE: 1

(Special Cable to VARIETY.)

Sydney, Jan. 10.

The Potter-Hartwell Trio opened at the Galety, Melbourne, scoring a hit.

KITTY AND MELVILLE.

All the wrinkles were smoothed out of the Kitty Gordon-Hammerstein contract for next week. Tuesday the Shuberts withdrew their objections to Miss Gordon appearing on Broadway before playing at the don't-know-when-it-will-open-Wintergardenon-Broadway, once claimed by Lew Fleids.

The Shuberts were so kind about the matter they "staked" Melville Ellis to Miss Gordon as the accompanist, for the vaudeville tour.

MORRIS MEETING IN FRISCO. San Francisco, Jan. 12.

There will be a meeting of the stockholders of the William Morris, Western corporation in about ten days or around the first of February. It is expected that William Morris, from New York, will come on to attend.

Nothwithstanding the damaging reports sent out regarding the status of the Western Morris company, and the attitude of Walter Hoff Seeley, its general manager, against Mr. Morris, it is rumored that the directors of the company would like to have a personal talk with the boss of the Morris division. It is also said that at the last gathering of stockholders (when the papers printed several accounts of it) the meeting wired felicitations to Morris in New York.

If Morris comes out here, Alexander Pantages will also make his appearance about the same time. Pantages wants the San Francisco American, now building. The theatre will cost about \$350,000, and will stand the lessee a rental of \$45,000 when completed. The Morris Co. has \$210,000 in it, \$105,000 cash and \$105,000 bonds of the corporation, besides an option on the ground which permits it to purchase the land within the first nine years. The ground lease runs for 60 years.

The report is that Morris' coming to Frisco may mean an attempt to have Pantages and Sullivan-Considine get together in some way whereby they will take over at least the name of the William Morris, Western company, and work in harmony under it, or else for Pantages to take up the American lease and play vaudeville when the house is finished, about next June, along with any other deal that Morris and Pantages may enter into for bookings or other things.

William Morris when seen this week stated he would very likely leave for San Francisco the latter end of the month. Upon his return to New York. said Mr. Morris, he might at once sail for London.

Asked as to the condition of his circuit after the many rumors which were recently spread regarding him. Mr. Morris replied he could not stop people talking, but that the circuit was in excellent shape. "In fact we have never been better off," he added.

The manager declined to discuss or ocmment upon the reports (some from out of town) that he was arranging for new additions to his circuit for next season. "That is something that will commencing March 19.

WELCH GOING WEST.

Freeman Bernstein booked Joe Welch last week to play the Sullivan-Considine Circuit for \$500 weekly, commencing March 19 and continuing for twenty weeks.

To celebrate the booking, Mr. Bernstein purchased a ticket to the American, New York, last Saturday night. It was the first money he had ever paid at the box office, admitted Freeman, who then looked at the coupon discovering it called for "M. 113." "I knew there was a hoodoo around somewhere, and they had to slip me a '13' besides" said the agent (manager).

REYNARD-FROELICH MARRIAGIA.

Providence, R. I., Jan. 12.

While Ed. F. Reynard, the ventriloquist, appeared at Keith's, he found time to marry Bianci Froelich, the classical dancer, taking an auto between shows to a minister's house about twelve miles from town. Gene Hughes of New York was present at the ceremony.

Mr. Reynard will continue on his bookings in the east. "Bianci," as Mrs. Reynard is professionally known, opens on the Orpheum Circuit next Monday. They will not meet again wintil June.

TOLEDO HOUSE NEXT SEASON.

Toledo, Jan. 12.

E. F. Albee and J. J. Murdock are expected here today to see about the new Keith theatre, now building. The contract calls for the completion of the theatre by March 1. If not then finished it will not have to be taken over by B. F. Keith until next August. The house will probably open next season.

From here Messrs. Albee and Murdock will leave for Cincinnati, Louisville and Indianapolis, returning to

New York in a few days.



FANNIE BRICE Miss Brice is one of the most promising character comediennes we have. Her rendition of "Levie Joe" is really one of the few real treats of the year, and she has easily placed that song in a class by itself as a "coon" number.
"Levie Joe" is probably the most talked of song amongst vaudeville top-liners, and to Miss Brice great credit is due for its popularity.

NEW "ST. KILDA."

After Feb. 1 there will be a new "St. Kilda," though still conducted by the Misses Pauline Cooke and Jenie Jacobs. By that date they will have removed from the present rooming house in West 34th to the large double dwelling at 67-69 West 44th

The girls made a huge success of their first venture in catering to the profession for space in which to live and dream. The new quarters are very much larger and more conveniently located.

DANCING ACT FOR ENGLAND.

Leo Maase, manager of the H. B. Marinelli New York branch, has placed Gertie Vanderbilt and Harry Pilcer under contract, as a team, to open at the Palace, London, May 15, remaining there four weeks. Miss Vanderbilt is at present with "The Happiest Night of His Life." Mr. Pilcer is playing with "The Follies of 1910."

The last team of American musical comedy people to appear at the Palace was William Rock and Maude Fulton, a couple of seasons ago.

VALUES GO UP.

The statement that was issued from the Bureau of Taxes during the last week show that the assessed value of theatre properties in the Borough of Manhattan for the past year has leaped to the extent of \$3,580,000 over the value of a year previous.

There is but one house not scheduled for an advance in value, the New York Theatre. The values as assessed

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Hippodrome	\$1,675,000	\$2,223,000
New Theatre	2.000.000	2.100.000
Grand Opera House	675,000	700,000
City	220,000	320,000
Manhattan Opera House	420,000	475,000
Savoy	240,000	810,000
Herald Square	1,200,000	1,300,000
Knickerbocker	1.150,000	1,270,000
Casino	850,000	925,000
Met. Opera House	3.050,000	8.470,000
Maxine Elliott	320,000	875.000
Empire	500,000	565,000
Fifth Ave	1.270,000	1.460.000
Daly's	940,000	1,075,000
Bijou	570,000	600,000
Wallack's	1.075.000	1,890,000
Garrick	820,000	875,000
Mad. Sq. Garden	2,450,000	3.190.000
Hudson	425,000	455,000
Lyceum	340,000	875,000
American	550,000	575,000
New Amsterdam	775,000	785,000
Liberty	325,000	835,000
New York	2.050,000	2,050,000
Hackett	265,000	800,000
Republic	340,000	360,000
Victoria	980,000	1.125,000
Lyric	485,000	540,000
Astor	700,000	800,000
Majestic	370,000	385,000

3 YEARS IN FAR EAST.

Chicago, Jan. 12.

Clivette, the "Man in Black," has arranged for a tour of the Far East, having contracted a route leading through Honolulu, Manila, Australia, New Zealand, Java, Japan, China and India.

The trip of three years will start in the early spring.

JIM THORNTON AT THE SPRINGS. Chicago, Jan. 12.

James Thornton passed through here on his way to Hot Springs, where he will rest for some time.

HANDLING NORWORTH & BAYES.

Werba & Luescher have practically agreed to present Jack Norworth and Nora Bayes in a production toward the spring, taking the couple under their management after the expiration of the pair's present contract with F. Ziegfeld, Jr. The date of that arrives in February.

The piece to be supplied will be left to the judgment of the firm. Mr. Norworth has a scenario he will submit.

GARDEN FOR GERMANS.

The Garden theatre, the scene of one Al. Wood production early this season, will be turned over Monday to Herr von Amberg to become the home of the German drama.

This playhouse has been in a rather hard run of luck for several seasons past not having housed a financial success since Henry W. Savage's production in English of Puccini's "Madame Butterfly," three years ago.

WILL COME BACK TO ACT.

With a good many years to his credit, and several seasons since the last vaudeville engagement, Oliver Doud Bryon is thinking of returning. Mr. Bryon has three sketches to select from. Alf T. Wilton is looking after things.

Mr. Bryon is the father of Arthur Bryon, a leading man in the legiti-.

FUNNY "MONKEY BUSINESS" WITH THAT OLD "BLACKLIST"

Seems to Have Gotten Down to Who is Declared in.
One Act Canceled Before it Opened, While Two Other
Big Turns are Playing United Time, with Everybody's Eyes All Shut. Is There a "Reason"?

The outside observer if caring to commit himself would say that there is a lot of funny "monkey business" going on, in and with the "Biacklist."

The "Blacklist" is an instrument of the United Booking Offices. Only a few weeks ago the managers booking through the United offices were called into conclave to decide that they would not under any circumstances book any act mentioned on the "blacklist": i. e. a list of acts which have played in "opposition" houses. It was announced after that meeting that a very firm resolve had been agreed upon.

According to reports however some of the managers who attended must have "resoived" inwardly. In the instances of the present week where the "blacklist" has and has not operated, the managers nearest to bossing things in the United are the ones who might be held responsible for the funny workings of it. If the outside observer should care to run the matters down, he might also discover that the managers alone were not in on the deal, but had passed some others into the ever boiling pot.

The act to feel the "Blacklist" is Edward Clark. Sunday Mr. Clark was married to Ciarissa Stephenson, at the home of the bride in Brooklyn. Monday he was informed by a wire from his agent. Edward S. Kelier, that some one in the United Booking Offices refused to sanction his engagement at the Warburton, Yonkers, this week. The Warburton is managed by the same Keller, and booked by the United. Last week Mr. Clark played at Poli's New Haven, a "United house" without protest. His "opposition" appearance was on the Morris Circuit as the head of a "girl act." For some tlme now Mr. Clark has been a monologist, playing alone.

This week there were two acts booked by the United agency, each a good sized one in salary and numbers, and each playing with the knowledge of the United man who ordered Ciark's cancellation. These acts are ones standing in exactly the same position to the "Blacklist" that Clark does.

There are stories told on the inside regarding each of the acts which are playing, and how they reached "United houses." With each act also there is a diagram of deduction up to the point they have now reached on the circuits, which seem to indicate that possibly there is something beyond the fact of the turns being "good" or the bare "commission" that may have been the real means of bringing them into the United offices. One act or the principal in it has gone so far as a complete change in name.

It is often remarked among vande- who was with the viile agents nowadays that if the cress," will follow.

United does not want to piay "blackiisted acts," it should play none at ail, for otherwise there is always a "susplcion" and the "suspicion" is that there is a reason for every "blacklisted act" that goes over the United time.

This "reason" isn't altogether confined to the "blacklist." It has been spoken of In connection with a certain office agent in the United suite. He has had a "reason" for booking several acts of late, according to the story, and isn't particular to whom he tells the "reason." One act is reported to have been guaranteed eight weeks in New York if it "gave up" twenty-five per cent. to the office agent.

If the "blacklist" is the public theatrical institution that the United has made of it that agency might exercise a little more discretion, for if "blacklisted acts" are put over "for a reason" and there should ever be a "squeal," the odor might be hard to forget.

Ned Nye was sent to the Warburton to replace Clark.

OLDTIMER GETS COIN.

What will New York fail for next? That is the question that managers are asking themselves since they heard the report that "Uncie Tom's Cabin" pulled more than \$10,000 into the Academy of Music two weeks ago.

This week "East Lynne" is the program.

MRS. LEE OPENS SHOP.

Boston, Jan. 12.

Mrs. Henry Lee, widow of the late widely known impersonator, who was left in unfortunate circumstances at the death of her husband, has started the Crown Hair Dressing and Manicure Parlors in this city.

The rooms are elegantly appointed, at 162 Tremont street, centrally iocated (Keith's Bijou Arcade).

Mrs. Lee is very well known in the theatrical world.

ACCIDENT TO DANCER.

St. Paul, Jan. 12.

Emily Price, a dancer with "Bright Eyes" slipped while on her way to the theatre Monday evening, sustaining a bad fracture of tre right leg. Miss Price will remain at the Boardman Hotel until recovered.

TWO MUSICAL COMEDIENNES.

Chlcago, Jan. 12.

Jan. 23 Maude Raymond, from "Girlies" will appear at the Majestic as a "single." Jan. 30, May De Sonsa, who was with the one-week "Maycress." will follow.

HELD OUT GOODWIN.

A new route through the United and Orpheum Circuit booking offices has been arranged for Nat. C. Goodwin. Under it Mr. Goodwin wili open Jan. 25 at the Colonial. After four weeks for Williams and Hammerstein, Mr. Goodwin wili play at Pittsburg and Buffalo, taking up the remainder of the consecutive weeks on middle western time fald out by Martin Beek.

Pat Casey arranged the new route, and is reported to have been retained by Mr. Goodwin as his manager in vaudeviile at a stated weekly salary.

The original vaudeville outline for the comedian did not include the Williams or Hammerstein theatres. It was routed in the United agency, and held most of the B. F. Keith houses upon it. It is said that Goodwin was not submitted to Williams, and that Goodwin was informed in the agency that Mr. Williams did not care to play him.

A. L. Erlanger is reported to have called in Casey to find out about Goodwin's bookings. Mr. Casey investigated. During the investigation he is reported to have asked Williams how it was that manager had overlooked Goodwin, when the answer was returned he had not been offered.

Immediately following came a cancellation of the first route through technicalities in the contracts, and the new list made out, each occurring in the same agency.

Goodwin is reported to have secured a "net" contract (no commission) for the ten weeks, each week played entiting him to \$2.500.

To offset the Goodwin engagement William Morris will present Corse Payton at the American. New York, next week in "Lend Me Five Shillings." the adapted sketch announced for Goodwin at the Colonial the Monday following.

Morris is reported to have engaged Mr. Payton for four weeks at \$1,500, with two to be played in New York City.

With the engagement of Mr. Payton, it was rumored that Goodwin might change the title of his act to "Lend Me Five Wives," introducing the Bert Williams' song, "Fil Lend You Anything I've Got, But My Wife and I'll Make You a Present of Her."

CHANCE OF GRAND, BROOKLYN.

There is a prospect of the Grand Opera House, Brookiyn, playing Wiliiam Morris' vandeville. John H. Springer, the sub-lessee under Klaw & Erlanger, has been talking vandeville over with Mr. Morris.

The Grand has had an unsatisfactory season with the combinations. Mr. Springer say he is \$20,000 behind so far. Under the K & E agreement with the United Booking Offices, there will have to be some skirphishing about for the house to employ acts for an entertainment. Mr. Springer is not favorably inclined towards "picture shows." and wants to try the "big time" bills.

The proposed Springer theatre at Seventh avenue and 123d street has been abandoned, says the manager, due to the noor theatrical conditions. He is remodeling the buildings on the site for apartments.

STOCK AT NEW ORLEANS?

New Orleans, Jan. 12.

Stock may replace the regular vaudeville at William Morris' American within a week or two, from present report. The Morris Circuit has found it too expensive for the quality of show secured, to bring programs to this city, the extra transportation added to the cost of the bill running the program up to a high figure weekiy.

The policy of the stock entertainment has not yet been decided upon. It may be musical or dramatic. In either case one headline turn will be the extra entre act feature, and biffed extensively.

Cincinnati, Jan. 12.

A new policy of big shows will be started at the Orpheum, Sunday, when Vesta Victoria heads the bill. She will be followed by Geo. Lashwood. It is reported that if the attempt to revive interest in the Morris theatre is not successful by these big and long bills, the house may revert to stock, playing in conjunction with a stock policy that is reported will be shortly started at another William Morris theatre, the American, New Orleans.

Next week's bill at the Orpheum will be met by a \$4,000 show at the Columbia (Keith's). Another large program will be placed against the Orpheum the following week in an attempt to discourage the Morris revival.

The Columbia's program is Dazle, in her new pantomime, Al Jolson, Edwin Stevens and Co., "The Police Inspector," Lillian Shaw, Schaar-Wheeler Trio, Ciark and Bergman, Herzog's Horses.

Somehow the Orpheum has not been fortunately endowed with resident managers, since it opened, though this may have had no material effect upon the unsatisfactory business.

It was not certain Thursday that Dazle would accept the Cincinnati engagement offered her.

MAYBE WORSE.

"We can't Be As Bad As All That" must have been though, for one week was enough.

After the last Monday night a notice was posted that the show would close Saturday.

BUSHWICK NEXT SEASON.

The new Bushwick theatre for Percy G. Williams' at Broadway and Howard avenue, Brooklyn, is nearly enclosed, and will be ready to open the latter part of the season. Mr. Williams does not intend to inangurate any policy until next season.

The house is to seat 2,300 and will be one of the largest theatres in Greater New York. Many routes given out for the Williams' time called for the Bushwick as a "week" for the latter part of this season.

A FIVE-CENT ADMISSION.

Reading, Pa., Jan. 12

The Orpheum, under the management of Wilmer & Vincent, playin stealight vandeville, has reduced increes of admission at the matime to five cents in any part of the theatre.

TWO ATTACHMENTS VACATED BY APPELLATE DIVISION

Actions by Printers Against VARIETY Thrown Out of Court. No Grounds to Attach, Court Decides.

The Appellate Division of the Supreme Court last week vacated two attachments secured against Sine Silverman in the summer. Justice V. J. Dowilling wrote the opinion, concurred in by all of the Appellate Division Justices.

Costs and disbursements were allowed against the plaintiff-respondent, the Technical Press. In granting the motions to vacate, the Appellate Division reversed the orders of the lower courts.

The Technical Press printed Variety (published by Mr. Silverman), from January, 1906 to June, 1910. In the latter month the publication was removed from the Technical's shop, Mr. Silverman claiming the printer had been overcharging him until the overcharges reached several thousands of dollars.

Samuel Rosenthal, president of The Technical Press, called at the office of Varieta twice after notified his company could no longer print the paper. He pleaded with Mr. Silverman not to leave his shop, but did not deny that he had charged in excess of the estimate under which the weekly job was turned out. As a defense to the overcharge Rosenthal stated that if Silverman was an imbecile, he could not expect the Technical Press would take the fault of such imbecility upon itself.

After making several propositions to continue having Variety printed by the Technical Press, all of which were refused. Rosenthal asked for a settlement of a claim of \$3,000 which his concern then had against Variet. A counter claim to it of three times the amount was presented.

At Rosenthal's request a statement was prepared of the overcharges in bulk. This was submitted to Rosenthat upon his second visit to Variety's office. Before ending that second visit Rosenthal said he would have his own bookkeeper make up a statement, leaving the Variety, office somewhat flurried after Silverman had expressed an opinion of him and refused to shake hands, Rosenthal asking for the handshake as a pledge that there would be no legal controversy over the matter.

A few days afterwards The Technical Press through its president made affidavit that Silverman was insolvent, had said he would cheat The Technical Press out of every dollar by turning Variety into a corporation, and secured an attachment for \$3,000. The bank account and office fixtures were levied upon by the Sheriff, who placed under the attachments about \$6,000 in money and property.

Through unusual legal delays, a decision on a motion to vacate the first attachment was not secured for several weeks, when the motion was denied. During this time a second attachment on the same grounds had been secured by The Technical Press on an alleged claim for damages for paper ordered by the Technical Press, but unused by Variety, although no alle-

gation was made that The Technical Press had printed Variety under a time contract, nor that Variety was not as full liberty to leave the Technical's shop at will. The claim for damages amounted to \$2,700. A motion to vacate the second attachment was denied the day following the rendering of the first decision. With the handing down of the decisions, bonds were accepted to release the attachments and the decisions appealed from.

The attachments against Variety were levied in the early summer of this year. Reports were and have since been spread by rival papers in an attempt to injure the standing of Variety. The reports were first circulated through the presence of Sheriff's keepers in the Variety office, Mr. Silverman declining all overtures of settlement pending the court's decision, and permitting the sheriff's keepers to remain in the Variety office for sixty-three days. Nor were any effort made by Variety to refute the many false statements made.

In writing the opinion of the court Justice Dowling said:

These warrants of attachment rest entirely upon a statement which is claimed to have been made by defendant (Silverman) to the president of the plaintiff corporation in the course of a conversation. That such statement ever was made is denied absolutely by the defendant and in his denial he is corroborated by two of his employes.

The affidavit upon which the first warrant of attachment was granted was verified June 29, 1910, and contains no averment of act done by defendant in prosecution of the said alleged threat, nor is such claim made in the affidavit on which the second attachment was secured, which was verified July 15, 1910.

The defendant has made affidavit as to his financial responsibility and ability to respond to any judgment herein, and disputes any intention to dispose of any of his property or to do more than assert what he believes to be a valid defense to these causes of action.

The mere fact that a defendant resists payment of a claim is not sufficient ground for the granting of a warrant of attachment, and in view of the defendant's denials, corroborated as they are, it can not be said that a proper case had been made out.

The orders appealed from must therefore be reversed with \$10 costs and disbursements, and the motions to vacate the warrants of attachment in each case granted with \$10 costs.

Olcott, Gruber, Bonynge & McManus, attorneys for VARIETY have been instructed to prepare papers in an action against The Technical Press for \$100,000 damages.

GENEE, WITH 16 GIRLS.

"Pat Casey Presents Adeleine Genee, with permission of Klaw & Erlanger" may be the billing for Genee's debut in vaudeville Monday at the Colonial, New York. Mr. Casey may have the same billing matter prepared for Nat C. Goodwin, the following week at the same house, with out the K. & E. permission, Casey directing both of the big acts in vaudeville.

It is said in local vaudeville circles that the advent of Genee into variety will be the biggest happening of this or any other season. She will have sixteen girls, recruited from "The Bachelor Belles," with the mountings also from that show which enveloped Genee when starring in it.

Billy Torpey, stage manager with "The Belles," has put on the vaudeville number for the dancer.

SHOW ORDERED OUT OF TOWN. Portland, Ore., Jan. 12.

A promise of the staff and memhers of "The Chinatown Trunk Mystery" to leave town immediately relieved them from prosecution by District Attorney Cameron.

During the first act Monday night the performance was stopped and the money in the box office ordered refunded. Warrants were served upor the troupe.

Last Saturday, Edwin De Coursey, advance agent for the show, was taken into custody, charged with exhibiting advertising matter showing the performance of a crime. "The Chinatown Trunk Mystery" is a lurid meller.

The Portland rumpus will likely oblige the show to leave this section of the country forthwith, to escape further annoyance.

District Attorney Cameron is regulating the morals of Portland. Last week he prohibited pictured displays of the Johnson-Jeffries fight.

HELD FOR IDENTIFICATION.

Boston, Jan. 12.
Gustav Schauder, a Yiddish actress,
who arrived Jan. 9 from Antwerp,
was detained at the immigration station until the identity of the two children who accompanied her and whom
she says belong to her sister in New
York was established by the authoritics.

Miss Schauder, member of the Yiddish Actors' Union, comes to America to fill an engagement.

"THE PINK LADY," NEXT.

The middle of next month will view the advent of "The Pink Lady" a musical comedy by Ivan Caryll and C. M. S. McLellan, which will be produced by Klaw & Erlanger.

Rehearsals are already underway with a cast that includes Frank Lalor, Crawford Kent, John E. Young, Geo. E. Mack. Harry Depp, Newton Linde, Joseph Carey, Reily Chamberlain. Hazel Dawn, Alice Dovey, Alice Hegenyan, Alma Francis and Mildred Barrett.

JOINS HIS FATHER SOUTH.

where he will join his father.

Boston, Jan. 12.

A. Paul Keith has gone to Florida,

RETURNS \$10,000 IN DIAMONDS.

Ten thousand dollars in diamonds were returned Tuesday to a Mr. Davis in New York City by Walter Gumble of Varietr's advertising staff. Mr. Gumble found the jewels Saturday in the Hotel Bartholdi, Broadway and 23d street, New York. He conferred with William Grossman, the attorney, over his discovery.

Through an advertisement, Mr. Grossman communicated with P. D. Sanwick, a private detective (who had been engaged to locate the lost diamonds) when they were delivered to their owner, Mr. Gumble receiving a reward of \$500.

The jewelry, appraised at \$10,000, had been carelessly left in a small package in the washroom of the hotel.

LEW SULLY'S FUNNY BURLESQUES San Francisco, Jan. 12.

Following Alice Lloyd on the program at the Orpheum, Lew Sully, the monologist, has been scoring a great laughing success through burlesqueing Miss Lloyd's songs. The three selected by the comedian are "Splash Me," "Master Cupid," and the "Hobble."

Mr. Sully will probably be routed over the Orpheum Circuit with Miss Lloyd for the remainder of the latter's tour. She has assisted Mr. Sully in making the burlesques humorous, furnishing the costumes for one or two of the numbers.

STORK MAKES A HIT.

Philadelphia, Jan. 12.

The stork played here Monday and scored a smiling, hit with Manager Harry T. Jordan, manager of Keith's theatre. The youngster has been named after his father.

JOIN "NO. 2" COMPANY.

After "Midnight Sons" closed at the Circle last Saturday night it looked as though George W. Monroe would be seen in vaudeville again.

Mike Bentham was offering the heavyweight comic when a message from the Shubert office called all bets off. Mr. Monroe in company with Messrs. Schiller and Fisher who were with the "No. 1" show, slipped off to Texas to join the "No. 2" "Sons."

ANIMALS IN "THE HEN PECKERS."

Sammy Watson and his Farmyard have been engaged through Jenie Jacobs of the Casey Agency for Lew Fields' production of "The Hen Peckers."

CONNOLLY GIRLS AT CORT.

Chicago, Jan. 12.

The three Connolly Sisters, who have been appearing in vaudeville on the Morris Circuit have been engaged by the Shuberts to play in their forthcoming production at the Cort.

Geo. S. O'Brien, the New York agent, placed the engagement.

SUES FOR SALARY DUE.

Chicago, Jan. 12.

S. W. Quinn, formerly manager of the Trevitt, has sued for \$1.200 alleged to be salary due. The Grove Co. operated the Trevitt before it passed into other hands. VARIETY



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Harry Mountford has attempted to belittle the effect of the letter written by Mr. C. C. Bartram relating to him, and which was printed in VARIETY two weeks ago, by alleging that a cable reply from Mr. Bartram stated he did not write such a letter.

Mr. Bartram perhaps will more quickly recognize the letter when he reads it, as he no doubt did last Sunday or Monday. We wrote Mr. Mountford, Jan. 6, that he or his representative might call at this office to examine the original letter, which is in long hand, written and signed by C. C. Bartram. Mr. John P. Hill as Mountford's representative, did so Jan. 9.

That is merely a prelude to dispose of the matter, though since it has been stated that Mr. Bartram is the paid correspondent for Mr. Mountford we do not believe that could have affected Mr. Bartram's memory, as more especiaily he was the paid correspondent of VARIETY at the date he wrote the letter referred to.

We had no wish to place Mr. Mountford upon the defensive, nor did we wish to hear his appeal for sympathy, nor do we care about the many firms "ontside the show business" which offered him a salary under contract "with an increase, rising annually." Even if the names of the firms were not mentioned, we will admit it. Mr. Mountford holds his present job by "builing" the actors, and while It is not conceivable that he could "buli" the average American business man we will admit that that is possible, if the business man would accept Mr. Mountford's own assurances of all that he is capable of.

Mr. Mountford now wants to know, if he is a failure in everything he attempts why we pay any attention to him. That is the question we shall answer. In connection with it he links the name of Maurice Goodman, attorney for the United Booking Offices, asking why we waste space and ink and why Mr. Goodman wastes his eloquence. We can't answer for Mr. Goodman, more than to say that that extremely astute attorney, we presume, has discovered what we have discovered regarding Mr. Mountford.

We have discovered that Mr. Mountford is a lair, wilful and malicious. Mr. Monntford wilfully fied by stating that VARIETY, "held up" actors for advertisements. That was the day and date we determined to pay some attention to Mr. Mountford, not because we considered him important, but because we then knew him to be a fool and liar, which make a dangerous combination.

No one knows better than the White Rats and Harry Mountford that nelther this paper, nor anyone on its staff, practices any methods for the procuring of business not consistent with all the recognized ethics of newspaperdom. Mountford knew that VARIETY built itself up on one theory. and that was the theory put into practice. Yet Mountford wilfully lied. He knew because he had been told that any advertising sollcitor on VARIETY who secured business with a promise of any kind attached would be immediately discharged.

"Held up" was the only lie we cared about. We did not gamble on our future and our time for five years to establish a journal under a new policy to have an Englishman (who may yet be unnaturalized for all we know) come along in an attempt to undo what we had done. That was the lie that settled Mr. Mountford's goose.

The other stories by Mr. Mountford we cared nothing about. That he assailed us in meetings or outside of them; that he stood in cohoots with a printer and spread untruthful reports; that he quoted us in conversations and remarks that never occurred—those we cared nothing for. Mr. Mountford may say we have a very poor paper. and we will agree with him; he may say anything in the sense of "panning," but he must not lie to cast reproach upon us in order to divert attention from himself and his failures.

Two weeks ago we told Mr. Mountford that unless he told who the four people were the "Board of Directors" editorial was shown to, he would stand branded as a liar -- a mischievous liar. He did not reply. He could not reply, for there was no reply to make, although we eliminated the four men he claimed, and the United Booking Offices, mentioning that we were willing to relieve him of the accusation of heing a liar, if he mentioned any one man or woman. He has mentioned no one. There is no one to mention. Mr. Mountford therefore confesses himself a falsifier. Not because he does these things viciously-we don't believe

that, but because he feels it is necessary to do them to distract attentionto hold himself in the limelight-in a word-to keep his job. Harry Mountford must make a noise. Every time we print his name in this article we do him a service.

We said that Mr. Mountford was a fool. We will back that statement up, because there is no desire to cast an aspersion not borne out by the facts. Mr. Mountford is a fool through having brough discredit upon himself and the White Rats. Neither Mr. Mountford as the representative of the White Rats nor the White Rats as an organization enjoy the standing in the theatrical community that they should. A sensible man would have endeavored to have built up the influence, the prestige and the strength of the White Rats of America; would have made it a power: would have tried to evidence that the results gained were material. That is what a sensible man would have done. This is what Mr. Mountford has done: he has brought the White Rats to the point where they dare not wear their buttons in over one-half the agencies and managers' offices visited; he has stirred up an agitation which has brought the managers to believe the actors are their enemies; he has caused White Rats to be disregarded in bookings whenever possible; he has caused White Rats to be given the worst routes for traveling; he has been denied recognition himself by important managers and agents; he has brought the actor before the public as an agltator, without gaining any sympathy for the actor; he has caused a law to be passed which is costing the actor more commission today than ever pald before, and he has not in over two years done one thing that the actor may point to as something that has really been accomplished for his good.

No sensible person would have brought about all this; therefore Mr. Mountford is a fool. Clever in the handling of a certain class of people; clever in speech before a certain class of people; as a statesman, as a leader, as a manipulator, as a thinker, as a diplomat, and as everything that should be embodied in the general of an organized body of actors, Mr. Mountford is an awful flivver.

In terming Mr. Mountford a fool, however, we will add a proviso in the nature of a qualification. He is, besides, a schemer, but not a schemer for the actor nor the White Rats--jnst a schemer for Harry Mountford. The actor is a puppet to him, something he can use to advance himself. It is so obvious, yet becomes a bunk, and though of the simplest form one that gets over among the actors because they never take the pains to dissect why the cause and effect, but wait for the results that never arrive.

Mr. Mountford attempted to ridicule the proposition that "opposition" is the best for the actor. Why not let the managers ridicule that? The managers do not want opposition. Mr. Mountford even attempts to misquote VARIETY to cast a wrong construction upon what we did say. We didn't advise the White Rats to invest its surplus of \$100,000 in an "opposition" circuit. What we did say was to have a committee of White Rats appointed, and with that surplus behind them, see what could be done toward creating a perpetual oppositiou.

Now that our intent has been clouded we wlii make cicar what we meant by the "committee of White Rate" and what we have told actors personally within the past month. That committee should send out an appeal or interview in person the leading members of the variety profession. Each should subscribe a certain amount towards a general fund which might remain dormant, but to be available at any time to take over a falling circuit; to start off road shows, to establish a new vaudeville circuit, but always at cail for the furtherance of "opposition in vaudeville" and for the maintenance of the salary standard.

There are over 100 artists who could afford to contribute \$1,000 each towards that fund. Some could and perhaps would give more. The story printed in Variety last week of an exclusive association of 100 actors is toward that end. To give \$1,000 is not a charitable gift, it is an investment for a protective fund that will uphold an "opposition" for the future; that will ensure an opposition.

"The bigger the navy the lesser chance of a war" is a proverbial governmental belief. Were such a fund raised for the protection of the vaudeville artist in his salary and engagement, perhaps the necessity would not arise to utilize it; for, if there were an "opposition" waiting for a clear field, what would be the sense of the big circuits amaigamating?

In laughing at the proposition to secure some benefit from the surplus of the Rats, Mr. Mountford quite overlooked how he wasted \$20,000 of that surplus in expense accounts to pass a bill at Aibany that has only brought more trouble upon the actor. Perhaps Mr. Mountford believes that \$20,000 wasted in Aibany Is a better investment than to hold the surplus as backing for the promulgation of a lasting benefit to the actor.

We do not want to dwell upon the fact of how an Englishman, who may not as yet have received his naturalization papers, could be expected to understand theatrical conditions over here in two years, but we do want to advise Mountford that he had better become acquainted with American customs, and American laws. What Mountford and others did in England. forget; try to be an American, and remember, that the smoking of Richmond Straight Cut cigarettes never yet made an American out of an English-

We agree with Mr. Bartram that Mountford has "Out American ed the boys and girls in America," but Mr. Mountford, be careful how you lie about us.

NEW ACTORS' SOCIETY MAKING SOME HEADWAY

"American Vaudeville Artists" May be Adopted for Name. Aim for Protection and to Promote Friendly Relations with Managers.

Considerable progress had been made in the new actors society, by the promoters, who seek to have an exclusive organization with a membership limited at 100.

The name of "American vaudeville Artists" would be adopted it is said, and a charter applied for before this week ended.

The details of the organization had been so far advanced that one of the promoters stated the society would give two dinners yearly, with plates restricted to only members, each allowed one guest.

The objects of the new organization, the same artist said, would be the fundamental principals of an artists association; protection of material on and off the stage; the attempt to obtain remedial measures by conciliatory tactics and the promotion of a better feeling between managers, agents and artists.

"We want to meet the manager and agent on equal ground" remarked the artist "and we want the people we have to do business with to know the actor as he is.

"A representative organization can correct many wrong impressions and many abuses. The first thing we shall go after in a nice way will be to stop the publication of the best jokes and stories told on the stage. We shall try in a nice way first, and some other way if the nice way doesn't do the work."

The plan as set forth by the artists who have it in hand seems to have met with general approval of those approached, as far as it has been reported. As a side issue to the formation of the organization, it is said that there will be a fund raised from the limited membership, which is to be held as a reserve and for the best interests of the society.

It is also intended that managers and agents shall be admitted to membership in the order, as laymen, without active participation nor with the privilege to vote.

The desire to create a friendliness between artist and manager through the new society has reached the manager, according to report. The manager is said to be heartly in favor of the organization on the lines laid out, but the promoters are accepting the assurances with a grain of restraint according to one of the well wishers of the movement.

"If the manager is with us in the same spirit that we are approaching this matter" it was said the other day a worker for the order, "we shall be pleased to more than meet him half way, but we shall first assure ourselves that the managers and agents really appreciate the need and possibilities of this society the same as we do.

"If the manager is of the opinion that through us he may use us for any purpose of his own, I am afraid he will be disappointed. In any case though that would make no difference. We shall organize for our own protection. If we can have the manager and agent with us so much the better, but the society is to be a protective one on social grounds, and I am sure we shall put it over. The limited membership makes it very possible."

AID FOR CARRIE SCOTT.

Chicago, Jan. 12.

With a poisoned hand and in destitute circumstances, Carrie Scott, who has been associated with vaudeville for years and perhaps better known as the "Original Bowery Girl," is in Chicago where a petition is being circulated by Harry L. Newman, the music publisher, in her behalf.

Miss Scott has written a letter to the professional public saying that she is unable to work and would be very grateful for aid of any kind rendered by those interested in her welfare. The note has a pathetic trend and shows that Miss Scott deplores her present condition.

Anyone wishing to contribute to Miss Scott's aid can send subscriptions to Mr. Newman, Grand Opera House Building, Chicago.

The following subscriptions have been made:

Dr. Blake, medical	Geo. S. Van
service, gratis.	Allan Foster
Harry L Newman 25	Abe Halle
Geo. W. Brown 5	Lee Kraus
Thos. J. Quigley. 5	John B. Simon
Saratoga Hotel 5	D. F. Schwartz
Billy Thompson 5	"English Jack"
Jas. J. Morton 5	O'Brien
Al. Brown 6	Jarrow
Cliff Gordon 4	Alex Carr
Lew Cooper 2	T. R. Morgan5
Fred Dempsey 1	Jas. H. Stewart 5
Earl J. Cox 1	Eugene Barnes5
	, Lugeno Darnes

AN ACT MISSING.

There is an act missing on the Orpheum Circuit. It is The Bruins, billiard juggling experts from France. They were to have opened on the Circuit Jan. 2, expecting to reach this side from Paris, their home. The couple sailed from Australia for Paris in time to make the American scheduled engagement, but since the sailing no one over here has heard from the act.

It is the second turn disappointing on the Orpheum time within a month. The other one was the Frank L. Gregory Troupe of hoop roliers, an American act abroad for some years. It failed to arrive after cabling that the first boat selected to bring them here had been missed. The Gregorys played the new Palladium. London, week Dec. 26.

After Amelia Summerville finishes her engagement of four weeks on the Morris time, arranged by Irving Cooper, she may be one of the members of a new Klaw & Erlanger, production, soon to start rehearsal.

PONGO AND LEO LOSE.

in the Third District Municipal Court on last Tuesday, Judge Thos. Noonan handed down a decision which was in favor of Frank Melville and the American Vaudeville Circuit against the members of the team known as Pongo and Leo.

The actors were arrested at the Savoy a Week ago last Saturday on a warrant secured by Melville, but were later admitted to bail.

Melville stated that he had signed a "play or pay" contract with the act at a set figure for a certain number of weeks. He then sent them on a tour playing fairs and parks. He did not deny that he received more for the act than he was paying them, but maintained that he was taking all the chances, and if he did not secure work for them, would have had to have paid out of his own pocket.

On several weeks he permitted the act to collect their salaries from the various managers, instructing them to send the difference between the contract price and the amount received to the New York office. This he alleged the act failed to do on several occasions, and when the contract was finished, he heard nothing further until noting they were playing the Savoy, New York. He then decided on the legal steps.

The White Rats became interested in the case and advised the actors not to pay when they were arrested under a charge of conversion of funds.

When the case was called before Judge Noonan the attorneys for the White Rats presented a counter claim and charges against Melvine. These were not admitted.

A verdict for the full amount asked and costs was given Melville.

Messrs. O'Brien and Malevinsky, who conducted the case for Pongo and Leo stated that they would appeal the decision, securing the amount of the judgment by a bond.

COMMISSIONER LAUDS CASEY.

Pat Casey received an official endorsement from Herman Robinson, Commissioner of Licenses, last Friday when appearing before the Commissioner on trivial charges, which were dismissed.

The charges were that the Casey Agency did not submit contracts to the Commissioner's office, nor file financial statements of managers booked for. Mr. Casey replied by explaining to Commissioner Robinson he did not book direct, but through the United and Orpheum booking offices, which would mean a repetition of submission.

Casey said he did not have charge of his books in person, but they were cared for by clerks, and he presumed that all the regulations of the new law were being compiled with, orders having been issued by him to that effect.

"My inspectors tell me, Mr. Casey" the Commissioner is reported as replying "that you have the best kept agency in New York City."

When referring to the charges against him the other day, Mr. Casey remarked "Don't you believe that anybody can put over anything on that little fellow, Herman Robinson. He's some wise boy and he's on the level which makes it kosher."

RATS UNDECIDED.

Just what will be done further in the matter of the charges against the United Booking Offices which were brought before the Commissioner of Licenses by the White Rats, is still a question.

At the time Commissioner Herman Robinson dismissed the charges the attorneys for the Rats stated that they might take the case before Mayor Gaynor. This they have not done as yet.

An inquiry at the offices of the attorneys by a VARIETY representative brought forth no further reply than that the question of what other steps were to be taken was still in abeyance.

PANTAGES STRIKE SETTLED.

Spokane, Jan. 12.

The Pantages theatre strike has been settled. Differences arose between Manager Walker, of the Pantages, and the stage employes' union over the employment of a member of the motion picture operators' union to operate the spotlight and picture machine. The men walked out.

The whole stage crew is now back on the job. The machine operator carries a stage employes' union card.

CURTAILING BAGGAGE PRIVILEGE

Chicago, Jan. 12.

A few months ago railroads diverging from Chicago checked an elephant as excess baggage; scenery, trunks, and theatrical properties were taken along as baggage, after payment of excess, on one or more tickets.

Later a rule was made by one road that nothing of a theatrical baggage or property nature could be checked unless fifteen tickets were purchased—Ethel Whiteside found that out when she wanted to check her bass drum out of town.

The "holdup" worked so well the association of railroad men governing such things has now ordered that nothing whatever in the way of scenery or properties can be checked as excess. Some roads will not accept a trunk which has the word "theatre" stenciled upon it. The express companies are in for more revenues ununless the ruling is changed.

HEARING ON PERMIT.

Cambridge, Mass., Jan. 12.

M. D. Flattery and H. D. Campbell petitioned the mayor for permission to conduct a theatre in Central Square and as a result of bitter opposition on the part of local clergymen, Mayor Brooks held a hearing. After speeches pro and con he took the matter under advisement.

The ministers contend that theatres are bad for the community, and say in this instance that the proposed theatre would be within a quarter of a mile of nearly every church in town.

NEW ORPHEUM ABOUT MARCH 6.

Chicago, Jan. 12.

The opening of the new Orpheum at Winnipeg has been set for March

If unable to open by that date the addition to the Orpheum Circuit will start whenever completed.

BURLESQUE MANAGER FAVORS RULES AGAINST "COPVISTS"

Jack Singer Makes Claims Against Other Companies.
Bars Barney Gerard From Any Theatre His
Shows May Play At.

Jack Singer has murder in his heart and says there's a reason. He claims various burlesque shows have "lifted" many of the bits, jokes and lines bodily from "The Behman Show," for which Mr. Singer paid money.

Mr. Singer says "The Sweetest Girl In Paris," which he saw at the La-Salle theatre in Chicago, has nineteen comedy bits which are exact duplicates of those employed by the Singer company.

He says also that Addison Burkhardt, who claims he wrote the jokes on a special contract, was formerly engaged by him (Singer) to take "The Behman Show" and whip it into shape. Mr. Singer says that the piracy of ideas, "gags," and other things in buriesque is growing to a point where the initiative will have to be taken and steps taken to rid buriesque of its "copylsts."

Much has been heard here of late of alleged play and song lifting from the burlesque owners and managers and it is not unlikely that some sort of movement will be made by the Columbia Amusement Co. to guarantee the Eastern Wheel shows the proper protection. Singer says that all the companies seem unusually anxious to use his dining-room bit and hat trick.

Mr. Singer announced Monday that he would bar Barney Gerard from the theatres where any of his (Singer's) attractions were playing, as he claims that Gerard signed Joe Barton, formerly of the Singer company, for no other purpose than to have the comedian use the table dressing "bit," Singer says he has Gerard's script to prove his assertion in this respect. Barton, who closed with the Gerard company last Saturday night, told a VARIETY representative he declined to use any lines, "bits" or comedy, situations from "The Behman Show" during his connections with Gerard's "Follles of a Day" company.

Barton states Gerard asked him to use the hat trick now employed by Wiii Kennedy, but Barton replied that would be a nice thing for him to do when he held in his hand a wire from Lon Hascali and Wiil J. Kennedy (of the Singer show) at the time bearing Christmas greetings.

Mr. Singer intends to start an innovation in burlesque management by permitting "the ghost to walk" every Saturday evening next season with his shows, instead of handing out the envelopes during the week, now the custom.

Mr. Singer says payment of salaries Wednesday does not keep actors from "jumping," and as a rule causes an extra drain on the treasury during the Interim. By shelling out the company's weekly stipend every Saturday evening, Mr. Singer says there will be no money drawn in advance.

MAYBE COLUMBIA FIRST.

Boston, Jan. 12.

The general complaint from Western Burlesque managers over playing the Columbia after the Howard may result in a change of route here next season. The Columbia may be the house then to first catch the incoming Western shows.

Now the Howard is playing the Western attractions under a guarantee. It is estimated that the Howard is costing each show \$1,000 in receipts at the Columbia, through securing the initial whack.

It is understood that the route of the Western Wheel next season will be rearranged to have shows travel from Cincinnati to Chicago to Cleveland, following the route of last season, changed for this.

Another report is that the Western Wheel will entirely eliminate the "cooch" dancer next season. The various authorities have nearly closed out the "cooch" movement in most of the cities on the Wheel so far.

ADVERTISING "VANITY FAIR."

Gus Hill's "Vanity Fair" is at Hurtig & Seamon's Music Hall this week. At the New Theatre a production of "Vanity Fair" was presented Monday. The publicity secured from the New Theatre piece is expected to boost the receipts of the Music Hall a trifle.

It is said that Bob Manchester remarked Tuesday he was afraid the opposition at the New Theatre would hurt the show's gross on the week, and he didn't understand how those swell guys could have the nerve to cop the title anyway.

LET SEVEN OUT.

"The Midnight Maldens" are due at the Columbia, New York, next week. It will come into the house as almost a new show from that presented eariier in the season, especially in the cast.

Seven principals were dismissed in a lot while the show played Rochester. Gus Hill rehearsed a new set in New York, shipping them on to Schenectady to join.

Mr. Hill says he journeyed to Rochester, cailing a rehearsal. The seven did not appear. Without comment he returned to New York, engaged substitutes, and dismissed the seven at the end of the week without notice. He claims his contract does not call for notice where the player does not report for rehearsal as commanded.

RUMOR IN ST. PAUL.

St. Paul, Jan. 12.

There is a persistent rumor circulating that the Columbia Amusement Co. (Eastern Burlesque Wheel) will have the Rex theatre for next season.

FRANCHISE GIVEN OUT.

Phlladelphia, Jan. 12.

L. Lawrence Weber and John G. Jermon have received the franchise from the Eastern Burlesque Wheel for the new show, which will be added to the route when the new Columbia opens in Chicago.

If building strikes do not delay the completion of the theatre that event should occur about March 1.

Rehearsals for the new organization under the direction of Mr. Jermon have been started in this city.

BEN JANSEN IN BED.

Ben Jansen, who was unable to appear with "The Bowery Burlesquers" iast week owing to illness, expected to be back in the harness this week, but his condition was such on Monday that the doctors warned him to remain in bed. A severe attack of the grip and a touch of pneumonla have Ben nighting to overcome them, but no serious developments are expected.

. Until Ben recovers, his brother Charles will continue to don his buriesque toga.

ONE HOUSE TO LET.

Schenectady, Jan. 12.

As business did not pan out according to expectations, the stock company which has been holding the fort at the Empire, closed Saturday, and the house is again dark.

The opinion here is that the Western Wheel will again place their attractions at the house, in view of the business that the Mohawk is doing.

As a result of the Empire stock company becoming only a memory, the Empire Circuit (Western Burlesque Wheel) has a theatre to lease or seil. President James II. Curtin says that no more burlesque will be sent to Schenectady.

When asked about the Empire owners Installing a "pop" show or featuring moving pictures, Mr. Curtin replied they would not attempt anything of that nature, but that the house was open for suggestions from outside parties.

PRODUCING INDEPENDENTLY

Leaving Haviland & Co., following the death of his mother last week, Dan Dody, one of the best known "outside" producers, has started an establishment of his own.

Mr. Dody's office is in the Columbia Theatre bullding. He will produce and stage anything. Many of the best burlesque shows of past seasons have reached their high mark after leaving Mr. Dody's charge during rehearsals. He is also what is known as a "fixer," often called in to build up a production that shows signs of collapse.

WEDDING OF PRINCIPALS.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Jan. 12.

Charles P. Reded, a principal with "The Star Show Girls," has announced his marriage to Margle Hitton, another principal, but with "The Dainty Duchess."

The ceremony was performed at the City Hall, New York, Jan. 5.

BRACING UP EMPIRE CIRCUIT.

Philadelphia, Jan. 12.

It is almost authoritatively stated that the Empire Circuit (Western Burlesque Wheel) will play its shows at Forepaugh's, this city, next season, as the second Philadelphia stand for the burlesque chain.

Pittsburg, Jan. 12.

The Duquesne is mentioned as the house that will hold the Western Wheel shows next season. It is a Harry Davis property , with a capacity estimated at about 1,600.

Harry Williams is reported to have been offered a bonus to remove from the present Western theatre, Academy of Music. The site is wanted as a part of the foundation for a large office structure.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 12.

It is expected that the Empire Circuit (Western Burlesque Wheel) will make a strong effort to secure the new theatre promoted by H. R. Jacobs which was haited in the midst of its erection, and ordered sold at public auction.

The Western Wheel wants a house here to "split" with the proposed new Western theatre at Syracuse.

BURLESQUE RECORDS CLAIMED.

From the road come the reports of big business for the holiday weeks that has fallen to the lot of burlesque attractions.

During Christmas week Billy Watson's "Beef Trust" sat them on the stage at \$1 a throw at the Monumental, Baitimore, breaking the house record there. The week following over the string of one-nighters known as the "Pen Circuit," the same show pulled unheard of money for that time, in spite of the opposition that a bitzzard created for them.

Dave Marion's "Dreamland Burlesquers," claim the house record at the Trocadero, Philadelphia, taken last week, without an added attraction.

BURLESQUERS FOR WOODS.

Al. H. Woods has been going the rounds of the burlesque houses lately with a view to obtaining new faces for his musical comedy attractions next season. He has offered a starring engagement to Earl Flynn and his wife, Nettle McLaughlin, with the road company of "The Girl in the Taxi," next season. Mr. Flynn and Miss McLaughlin are with "The Behman Show."

GOT HOLIDAY RECEIPTS.

Mlnneapoiis, Jan. 12.

Making the night watchman believe they were members of "The Jolly Bachelors" company, a party of men entered the Shubert theatre and carried away between \$900 and \$1,000 from the safe. Checks for \$2,700 were left.

Manager T. M. Scanlon says the safe was opened by someone who knew the combination. The money represented the theatre receipts from Saturday and Sunday nights and the New Year's performances. The Simbert changed treasurer only a few weeks ago.

Percy Haswell and Co. open at the Majestie, Chicago, Jan. 23

UNITED'S FIRST PRODUCTION.

The newly organized Production Department of the United Booking Offices will present its first product about the second week in February when "Melodious Melodies" will be publicly seen. Florence Saunders has been engaged to sing the leading role. There will be twenty-five people in the act.

Gus Sohlke signed a contract Wednesday to become the producer for the Department. He will have an office on the fifth floor of the Long Acre Building.

Among the individual ventures Mr. Sohike will shortly send out in vaude-ville as his own productions are Maude Liliian Berri In "A Trip from Japan to Scotland" with six people. Four will be Scotch pipers.

Blanche Dale will head affother act of his own Sohlke is working upon.

SENDS FOR SAM MAYO.

Through an Imitation Sam Mayo, the English comic singer, may secure an American engagement. Last week at the Plaza Billy Montgomery (Montgomery and Moore) announced an impersonation of Mayo singing "He, Ha, Ha; Hee, Hee, Hee," a lazy sad number, in which Mayo laughs while apparently ready to drop dead.

William Morris liked the impersonation so well he calculated the original would be a good act for his circuit. The London office was cabled to place the English singer under contract. Mayo is a very busy man on the other side. He plays more halls nightly probably than any other leading English act.

THREE COLORED COMPANIES.

S. H. Dudley, the colored comedian, and Aida Overton-Walker, at present appearing in "HIs Honor, the Barber," will appear next season in a new musical comedy.

The Barton & Dudley Amusement Co. will also put out "The Smart Set" next season with Salem Tutt Whitney, Homer Tutt and forty people. Another colored new one will be "Down in Dixie," with John Rucker and forty people.

O'BRIEN "FLOPS" OVER.

An agency "flop" was recorded this week when Geo. S. O'Brien left the booking ranks of the William Morris agents to become of the Albee, Weber & Evans agency staff in the Long Acre Building. The three-firm books for the United Booking Offices.

O'Brlen left the Morris office employ some months ago, embarking for himself upon the waves of bookings. He was quite successful in securing and placing acts.

DIES FROM BURNS.

from the explosion of a lamp.

Troy, N. Y., Jan. 12.
Mrs. A. L. Langdon died in this city
Jan. 8 from burns received at a hotei
the Thursday previously, resulting

Thought at first to be not seriously injured Mrs. Langdon's condition rapidly grew worse, and after six days in the hospital, she died. She was the mother of Lucille Langdon, the actress. The body was shipped to Chleago, where the interment took place.

NEVER HAPPENED BEFORE?

Chicago, Jan. 12.

A small riot was caused at the Wilson Avenue theatre, Monday evening when the stage manager dropped the curtain on the Stanley Sextet, closing the act before it was through. The Sextet is led by one Nace Murray, who happens to live out Wilson avenue way and the first show was attended by a large number of Murray's friends.

After the first number the house was rather strong with applause. When the girls had finished the second number the applause grew stronger.

Murray should have followed with a "single," but the management decided the house was "kidding" the act and sent word back to close it immediately.

The orchestra started the overture for the next number, but quickly switched to the illustrated songster's music after the stage manager had signalled from the wings. The house refused to allow the ill. singer to go on, calling for Murray to reappear.

The management sent in a riot call and a cordon of police came to the scene on the double quick.

After an hour and a haif the show proceeded. The second show started at eleven o'clock.

Roy Sebree who manages the Sextet refused to finish the week although requested to by the management.

WHO IS BOOKING DROUET?

The booking of Robert Drouet in vaudeville held the center of the stage among the agents this week. M. S. Bentham laid first claim to the actor who closed when "The Foolish Virgin" quit business last Saturday.

Pat Casey carried Mr. Drouet over the sixth floor of the Long Acre building one morning, on an inspection tour, and reported that Mr. Drouet desired the Casey agency to see that he and his new sketch broke into vaudeville properly.

Bentham sets Jan. 23 and Atlantic City as the time and place for Drouet's reappearance.

LAMBS' SKETCH WELL LIKED

At the Lambs' Gambol last Sunday ulght in the clubhouse, a sketch presented may shortly find its way to the vaudeville stage.

The piece was written by Frank Craven and Scott Welsh. "Honor Among Thieves" is the title. The story tells of two "modern crooks" unknowingly meeting, who rob a burglar of the old school, to be detected by a reformed thief in the uniform of a policeman, all four finally dividing the \$5,000 the old school burglar had "discovered."

The sketch was pronounced the best of the offerings of the evening at the Gambol.

OVER ON THE HEIGHTS.

The Monticello, a "pop" house on Jersey City Heights was expected to become his property by Morris Schlesinger Thursday.

Upon. Mr. Schlesinger securing the theatre, he will advance the quality of vaudeville it has been offering.

LITTLE JAKE RAISES DUCE.

Chicago, Jan. 12.

Although theatres have been issuing passes for many decades, it has remained for J. J. Shubert, the wizard of Syracuse, to only recently discover that base men traffic in these "ducats" to the personal profit of the traders and with consequent loss to managers. When Jake fell upon the knowledge here in Chicago, where he came to erect a hippodrome on a lot 22x100 (with the help of local newspapers), he straightway unhitched Herbert Duce from his job as western representative of the Shubert inter-. ests and supervisor-in-chief of the local Shubert interests.

W. W. Freeman, here as road manager for "Mme. Troubadour," was last week installed as the successor of Duce. "Doc" is a man of wide experience and a thorough knowledge of the show business in all its angles, but the betting is 2 to 1 that even Freeman cannot stop the barter and sale of advertising passes. With the establishment of the new manager at the Garrick, Randolph street takes on a decided atmosphere of the circus, for James J. Brady is resident manager of the Colonial and Gus Witzenhausen is treasurer of the Olympic, theatres within half a block of the Garrick, in opposite directions, with ex-circusmen in responsible charge.

Duce has been press agent for the Shuberts, in addition to his other exalted positions, and in his stead Lawrence J. Anhalt, business manager of the Lyric, will henceforth operate the mimeograph which is to give Chicago a Shubert hippodrome and all the news concerning the dolngs of the big and little Shuberts. The number of dollars which the boys from Syracuse are out of pocket because of speculation in Shubert passes, according to Jacob, is something appalling. this leakage can be stopped the result will put them in a position to laugh at Rockefeller inside of a year, according to Jake's calculation, and Jake is said to be an expert on "figgers."

DIVORCED BEFORE HE KNEW IT.

Chicago, Jan. 12.

While Jack Matthews, of Matthews and Bannon, was in town last week he discovered, unexpectedly, that he was a single man. His former wife, Edna Davenport, divorced him in the local courts, Dec. 13, the decree having been obtained without public knowledge of the fact.

There was a report current while Miss Davenport was playing the Star and Garter, with "The Big Banner" show during the same week Frank Tinney was appearing at the Majestic, that the actress and the black-face-comedian had journeyed to Crown Point, Ind., where they were married. Tinney's manager circulated the report, but Tinney, when questioned, refused to either deny or confirm it.

Adolph Marks has been employed by Matthews to delve into the affair.

Ralph Bingham says that he and a host of other lyceum and chautauqua entertainers have been presenting the much discussed "Three Trees" recitation with piano accompaniment for at least fifteen years, to his recollection.

"3-ACT" IS OFF.

The "three-act" arranged between Bessie DeVoie and Bisset and Scott has been officially declared of by Hello George-John Scott, the original "Hello George" and the champion two-footed dancer of Brooklyn.

John says Bisset and Scott have signed to play over the Sullivan-Considine circuit for a number of weeks starting March 12. He relates the dissolution of the "three-act" in this wise:

"Me and Bis are told to hike over to the New Amsterdam and meet this skirt, Bessie Davaule, that we are going to hook up with for a number in a new show. See. Pat Casey is running the deal, and he tells us to slip around at one o'clock.

"Well, you know, me and my pal, Bis, we get there, for we want the work. The dame is there, kind of kicking around while a fellow is at the piano. I have to give it to her, Miss Davaule can dance at that.

"I say to her 'Where's Casey?' 'He couldn't wait' she comes back. 'Well' say I 'how about the show? Is it all fixed?' 'What show?' she says, and then I'm hep. 'What's this frameup anyway and 'I says and the gal just answers 'Why, we are to make a three-act and then Mr. Casey will put us into Wilmington the 23d to try out and then we get the big time?'

"Get it? Me and Bis to make good for Miss Davaule. I says to Bis, 'Come on kid' and we gather up this S-C time. I just as lieve go with a show with Miss Davaule, but nix on the vaudeville stunt. We have a rep there, and we don't want to make it go two ways."

MRS. DOC IN "ACT."

Yonkers, N. Y., Jan. 12.

Yonkers was the "dog" for Mrs. Doc Munyon, who returns to vaude-ville now in an "act." She appeared here this week, surrounded by four young men and a plano player. Bill Lykens did the booking. It was Billi who slipped Mrs. Doc over onto Willy Hammerstein as a "single."

The wife of the patent medicine man isn't asking the big money she thought she was worth before playing Hammerstein's. Like Mrs. William E. Annis, another Lykens' 'discovery,'' who went through the same process of making that Mrs. Doc is enduring, the latter is content to become a regular actress in the regular way, without the frills or the pills.

SHUBERT STAR AT PLAZA.

Mareletta Olly, the Shubert star, has been placed for the Plaza next week by William Morris. She is expected to appear in the third act of "The Whirlwind."

Miss Olly is an importation of the Shuberts, and still under contract to them. The brothers offered her to all vaudeville managers, finally landing with Morris.

FROM STOCK TO "POP."

Chicago, Jan. 12.

Monday Weber's theatre will start "pop" vaudeville, booked by Coney Holmes. Prices will be 10-20-30. Weber's has been holding dramatic stock.

LONDON NOTES

VARIETY'S LONDON OFFICE

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Mail for Americans and Europeans in Europe, if addressed care VARIETY as above will be promptly forwarded.

Monday and Tuesday of last week were holidays. Monday (Boxing day) the halls and theatres were packed, but rather surprisingly, Tuesday evening at seven o'clock there was not a seat left in any London theatre. After Tuesday business dropped off in the halls with the possible exception of the Coliseum.

Lipinski's 40-Dog Comedians had the first London showing at the Coliseum last week. Liplnski has a fine memory. Between a continental trip of Merlan's Dogs and Charlle Barnold's show he has picked the best in both acts, and sad to say, Is getting away with lt. He has Barnold's "Drunk" and the lamp-post, but still he has not a dog like "Dan" and perhaps never will have. Lipinski has the "elopement" scene from Merian's done exactly as Merian did lt here some time ago. One bit that might be original is the finish, a fire scene with the dogs dressed as firemen. The action, or at least most of it, takes place on a darkened stage. Some of the dogs seemed to be worked by strings. Lipinskl .may do all right here, but the managements that used Barnold's act to their advantage might hesitate before booking such a deliberate (perhaps instigated) "copy."

Vesta Tilley is booked for the Orpheum Circuit's middle-western time before the finlsh of this season, it is rumored, at a salary somewhere around \$2,500 weekly.

Julius Caesar is an act on the continent who, with a steel helmet on his head, catches heavy cannon balls, they say. The funny part (at least it seemed funny to the agent telling about it) is the act is booked for the Pantages time. Everyone is wondering how many shows a day an act like this ought to do before calling for help.

James Welch is appearing at the Coliseum in a piece called "The Man in the Street." In it the actor is an old street musician of the real cockney type, and this he does finely. There are others in vaudeville who have become quite famous for the same type. As far as any around at present in the halls, all could take lessons from Welch. Welch is really a light comedian, somewhat on the style of Willie Collier (in America). There is a story connected with what Welch is doing, but It is Welch all the way through. He has some great lines in this piece. Whoever wrote them has the exact idea of real comedy.

Leslic Conroy, appointed as acting manager of the Palladium, was replaced last week by Chris Marner, who was Conroy's assistant at the Holborn Empire. At the New Cross Empire last week Millie Payne sang a song in a "straight" make-up, quite a departure for Miss Payne.

Harry M. Vernon announces that he will produce a musical comedy sketch at the Coliscum in August. The music will be written by Franz Lehar, of "The Merry Widow." Arthur Wimperis will furnish lyrlcs.

Byers and Hermann have been signed for twelve weeks over here through the Ashton Agency.

The Camden Theatre Pantomime must have been somewhat of a dream. After being advertised the show was shipped to a theatre in the East End and the Camden still has a very gloomy appearance. Claire Romaine, advertised as principal boy at the Panto at Camdentown, denies she signed with the show.

At the Palace last week business took a bad slump with Anna Held and Vesta Tilley as attractions. Miss Held was on her last week at the Palace. Miss Tilley returned, and her receptions were as large as before. The audience still cry for the "soldier" song. The Ritchie Trio (Comedy cyclists—American Billie Ritchie) started an engagement there last week, and were a scream.

This week at the Hippodrome, Willy Zimmerman makes his return appearance in London. Brown and Nevarro are at the same house, their first European appearance.

Will Cambell (now playing as "Torino") did his first juggling in London last week at the Bedford Music Hall. Cambell should have little trouble over here with his very neat performance. He goes after the hard stuff, without any stalling whatever. The stage lighting at the Bedford didn't help the juggler any.

La Fayette In his second yearly engagement at the Coliseum with his one-hour show is making good easily. The conjuror and band master is still using the big finish with the flags and guns. It certainly is a winner.

The Marco Twins have been over here for about a week and will go to the continent soon to play some dates.

Ritter and Foster have returned after three months on the continent. Max Ritter having spent two months in Copenhagen, should have come home decorated with Danish Royal favors,

The Two Bobs return to London this week after a trip in the provinces. The pair will appear at the Palladium and the Hølborn Empire.

PARIS NOTES

BY EDWARD G. KENDREW

Paris, Jan., 4.

Harry Fragson lost his case against Manrel for payment of \$19.300 which he considered was due for songs sold ten years ago. The ruling of the court in this connection gives some edifying details to the uninitiated on the value of songs in France.

The Paris courts have also ruled what is a "cafe concert." The Clgale music hall company had sued its ground landlord for damages, he having leased premises in the same block to another party who had opened a cafe and gave symphonic concerts, twice a day. In the new lease of Feb. 11, 1909, it is stated that no other music hall or cafe concert could be opened on property of the defendant in the proximity of the Cigale, and the company therefore claimed \$3.860 damages. The Cigale company has been non-suited, the Court ruling that a symphonic concert in a cafe is not a cafe-concert in the real meaning of the term, and that there must be singing, vandeville or sketches played to constitute such an establishment. Moreover the Cigale has classed itself as a music hall, and is above the small cafe concert so dear to the working classes in Paris.

Gaby Deslys dld not return from London on the day expected, but it is anticipated that she will take up her parts in the Folies Bergere revue this month. A report that she had committed suicide, was of course, a hoax.

The annual meeting of the French society of authors, composers and publishers of music will be held Feb. 27, when the usual elections to office will take place. The positions, for some reason, are much sought after, and it is rumored that Gabriel Pares, exband master of the Republican Guard, will be a candidate for the vice presidency.

The benefit performance for Mine Aboukaia will be given at the Theatre des Bouffes Parisiens, loaned by Cora Lapercerie, M. Combes had offered the cerie M. Combes had offered the Etoile Palace for the matince, but gallantly gave way to Mme. Richepin. Some surprise is felt that this benefit should not be given at the Casino de Paris, where the accident unfortunately took place, but the people in charge is a le an offer which Tod Lane, Aboukaia's manager, could not accept, viz: \$245 for the use of the hall, fifty per cent, of the receipts for the management, and the beneficiary to bear all advertising expenses. Cora Lapercerie (Mme, Jacques Richepin) has now offered, as M. Combes had also done, the free use of her theatre...

Sherek & Braff have transferred their Paris office to the address of C. M. Ercole. 22 Rue Chanssee d'Antin. Mr. Ercole becoming the French representative of that firm, but retaining the name of his own agency. Tivoli Vauxhall, a former ball room and a meeting hall used for labor syndicates, near the Place de la Republique, is being transformed into a picture theatre, to hold 3,000. We are also to have a similar establishment at 23 Boulevard de Clichy, to be called Garden Cinema, under the management of Goubiler, formerly musical conductor at the Moulin Rouge, Casino de Paris and other Parlslan music halls.

On Inquiry at the Casino de Parls I am informed that Jack de Frece. now in London, has not resigned from the management although they admit the report was freely circulated after some little dispute over the accounts between the English syndicate and de Frece. H. Lotery, the chairman of the company, accompanied by Wolf and other large stockholders are expected again in Paris this week, when an official report will be issued. The people in charge at the Caslno assure me. moreover, that they will ultimately open the Alhambra, Bordeaux, though the date has been postponed. In this connection I was shown the posters printed in England for Bordeaux, and which had just arrived.

We regret to announce the death on Christmas day, at the age of 60, of Adrien Coussinet, well known in music hall circles under the name of Abany. Deceased, who was French but often played in England, was president of a group of artistes who had formed themselves into a society for the purpose of assisting at charity shows, the object being that an organizer had only to apply to the society in order to secure talent for benefit performances. This society likewise organizes weekly concerts in the different public hospitals.

DINNER ON THE FLY.

New Orleans, Jan. 12.

There is a picture vaudeville theatre in Canai street which might be correctly styled a "wee" small time house. It is at once the most continuous show-place in America. Artists appear twice as often as the films. They call it the "Marathon."

A sketch team playing there last week, unable to stop for meals, as a means of last resort, inserted a dinner scene in their act. Three times during the day they are real food.

Recently a blackface monologist who played the house, smoked a cigar between jokes. He smoked good cigars. After working three days, he checked up his cigar bill, and, finding that he had spent more for cigars than his salary amounted to, cancelled the balance of the week.

Tis said that a tumbler did three miles of flip-flaps there during a single day

This week the headline attraction is a "human mermaid." The "mermaid" states that, for the first time in her career, she is "living up to the billlng."

EUROPEAN OFFER FOR LORRAINE

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Boston, Jan. 12.

Offers from across the water have been made to Lillian Lorraine, of "The Follies of 1910." The show is playing here now. Miss Lorraine can be placed in the halls abroad, especially in Paris, it is said, as a "single" singer, or with two or three assistants.

Vera Maxweli of the same show, with a young man dancer, are mentioned as the complete trio who would satisfy the foreigners.

An international booking agent is said to have been in Boston this week placing the proposition before the Misses Lorraine and Maxwell.

The engagements extended are for next summer and beyond. Separate proposals were made to Miss Lorraine as a "single," and to Miss Maxwell as one-half of a "two-act." Neither of the girls is reported adverse to considering European time.

BELL FAMILY AS A TURN.

Chicago, Jan. 12.

The Familia Bell, composed of members of the Dick Bell family, are engaged for the Orpheum time to the extent of one week at the Majestic, here, Jan. 23. The act may proceed further over the circuit after that appearance.

Dick Bell is the circus man of Mexico. His family made up a musical turn, something on the Marimbma Band style, and started over the Pantages Circuit, concluding at San Francisco lately, where the booking for the Majestic is said to have been made.

CALLS REMICK A PRINCE.

Jerome H. Remick's Christmas present to Mose Gumble was a trip of two weeks to Bermuda, which Mose started Wednesday. He declared his wife (Clarice Vance) in on the gift and she accompanied him.

All Mr. Gumble's expenses will be borne by the music publishing firm of which Mr. Remick is the head. "If there's one real prince in the world, Jerome Remick is the fellow," is Mr. Gumble's comment.

BARRY BECOMES AN AGENT.

James L. Barry, last year connected with the Actors' Union of New York, was tendered the nomination of president of the Central Labor Union of New York this week. He declined owing to other business.

Since the Actors' Union and the White Rats "hooked up," Mr. Barry has gone into the booking business, arranging to remain at his old stamping ground on Union Square.

HOUSE MANAGER PROMOTED.

Battle Creek, Mich., Jan. 12.

Arthur Lane, manager of the Majestic, Ann Arbor, for the past three years, took charge, Jan. 1, of the general offices of the Butterfield Circuit.

Mr. Lane is quartered here and has assumed the active management formerly attended to by W. S. Butterfield. The latter will devote his entire time to the general supervision of his Michigan circuit, embracing ten houses.

SUES FOR COMMISSIONS.

Charles Grapewin who has returned to vaudeville in "The Awakening of Mr. Pipp," via the United time was served with a summons and complaint in a civil action by which B. A. Myers, the agent is seeking to recover commissions on a contract entered into in August. 1909.

At the time Myers alieges he secured a contract for an engagement of six weeks over the Morris time for the comedian. Grapewin decided shortly afterward to go entour with a legitimate attraction and the vaudeville contracts were laid aside. Myers further states that the comedian said at the time that he would play the contracts providing the dates were set ahead.

The salary for the six weeks was to have been \$750 weekly and as they were made when the old agency law was in existence, Myers seeks to recover commission at the rate of 10 per cent. on the gross amount.

Milton Frank, attorney for Mr. Myers served Mr. Grapewin with the papers last week.

LOEW-SHUBERT CLOSER.

The deal hanging fire for so long between the Loew Circuit and the Shuberts was reported drawing close to a consummation this week. The first negotiations were for Loew to take over a large number of theatres on the Shubert booking sheets, playing "small time" vaudeville in them.

Terms could not be agreed upon. Subsequent efforts to reach a satisfactory understanding were without result, until Monday, when rumor said the deal might be closed within a few days.

FALLS 1NTO \$50,000.

Indianapolis, Jan. 12.

\$50,000 is the amount that suddenly fell into the lap of Catherine Hayes last week. Miss Hayes is one half of Hayes and Johnson.

When Catherine was 14 years of age, she fled from a convent to marry Robert J. Jerusalem, who owned a store in Vincennes. Mr. Jerusalem was killed in a railroad accident in 1901.

Though known her husband was possessed of considerable real estate, no trace of it could be found following his death. Miss Hayes claimed the store had been robbed, and that deeds with other valuable property stolen.

Four years ago a package was found in the Southern Hotel, St. Louis, and forwarded to Mrs. Philips, a clerk in the county auditor's office. Through Miss Hayes' grandmother, Mrs. Kate Walcott, Catherine was informed the other day that Mrs. Phillips had a package which might interest her. The package contained deeds to property in several counties in the state, easily worth \$50,000.

FAM. DEPT. ADDING.

Beginning with this week the Family Department of the United started to place the shows in Motion Palace at both Auburn and Geneva, N. Y. The bookings were placed in the hands of Billy Delaney of the New York office.

10,000 MAKING FUN.

George Tilyou, the owner and promoter of those summer amusement parks which bear the name of "Steeplechase" the country over, will have 10,000 actors crossing the stage daily of a theatre that he has in the course of construction at his park at Coney Island.

Of the ten "thou" there will be but a score or so in the employ of the outdoor impresario, the rest will be enlisted from those who pay admission to the park.

Last season the public derived much laughter from witnessing the antics of those who entered the park through the entrance which was hedged by box-wood bushes charged will be elaborated and piaced upon a stage at the park this coming season.

A stage has been built before the Surf Avenue entrance, and all who enter by that passage must cross the stage, in front of which 250 opera chairs will be placed for those who wish to look on. The stage will be equipped with traps, pitfails, blowers, electric shocks and a host of other devices that will produce laughter-evoking antics on the part of those who cross.

The door facing the avenue averaged 10,000 admissions week days and 50,000 Sundays during previous seasons, and therefore Tilyou lays claim to have more actors working for him this coming season than all the other managers put together.

WASHINGTON TONIGHT.

Tonight is the time set for the opening of the new Washington at 149th street and Amsterdam avenue, the last of the small timers added to the Fox chain.

The new house will be under the management of A. Goldman. He was manager of the Family, now under the direction of Joseph Kaliski, recruited from the Mark-Brock Circuit.

CASINO "BLOWS" AGAIN.

Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 12.

As a result of the sudden closing of the Casino which was opened here by the National Theatre Co. of New York, the Tomsons, who presented a mystery act and were left here without funds, will enter suit against the company for violation of contract. Peter Magaro, the original lessee, also plans to sue the company for not living up to its contract.

Several of the acts managed to secure enough funds to go to neighboring towns, by giving extra performances at the Casino, also paying for the coal to heat the place and giving a percentage to Magaro.

This is a repetition of a similar experience under another management at that house.

TEAM MARRIES.

Cincinnati, Jan. 12.

Edward J. Feig and Marion C. Renick were wedded here last week. Both of the principals in the wedding, which took place in the corridor of the court house, are in vaudeville. They have been traveling together for several seasons playing under the team name of Feig and Larue.

PITTSBURG OFFICE STOPPED.

The proposed Pittsburg branch of the United Booking Offices' Family Department, which was to have been presided over by Fred. Curtiss, has been stopped, a story says, through the agreement reached between the United and Gus Sun.

The plan was for Curtiss to proceed to Pittsburg, with about fifteen houses as a starter, afterwards opening a branch in Chicago. The arrangement with Sun brought certain territory into the provinces of the western small time circuit. This would have interfered with the proposed circuit of houses Curtiss thought he could secure in that section of the country.

At present Curtiss remains around the United's Family Department.

PAYTON TURNS BIJOU BACK.

The Bijou, Brooklyn, has been turned back to the Loew Circuit by Corse Payton, Mr. Payton leased the theatre from Loew, who had secured it originally from Hyde & Behman.

The Loew "pop" policy starts at the Bijou Monday. Payton had played a few weeks of the same style of show, booked by the Fox Agency.

CHANGES MANAGERS.

Boston, Jan. 12.

The Automatic Vaudeville Co., of New York City, which closed the Liberty theatre, Tremont street, has made several changes in the managerial departments.

Samuel LaVangie, formerly assistant manager of the Theatre Comique, is now manager of the Premier, Washington street. Mr. Wolfe, connected with the Premier, is again handling the reins of the Comique, while J. H. Mosher is running the Palace.

The Premier has tilted its admission to ten cents. When the Globe leaves the legitimate ranks and features pictures, the Premier hangs out the five cent sign.

BUILDING UP "SMALL TIMERS."

A department that Gene Hughes will give especial attention to, from indications, is that in his office (at the Long Acre building) pertaining to "small time" acts.

Mr. Hughes has given up acting to become a general pur typor to vaudeville. He sees in the "small time" field possibilities in the form of developing the minor turns for advancement to the bigger time. It is said he has taken two or three aiready under his wing for further attention.

It is a departure many have spoken of but no one before Mr. Hughes arrived attempted it.

NOTHING IN CHICAGO.

Last Saturday morning there returned to town Joe Schenck, the general booking manager of the Loew Circuit and several other booking agents who had been to Chicago looking the city over for "small time" material that would be available for New York.

When asked by a Variety representative what he had got in Chicago Mr. Schenck said "Not even a cold."

Mr. and Mrs. Jack McGreevy are coming east again.



Mr. E.F. Alber started at Keith's, Providence, last week a series of Gala Bills. The first-"The Gold Medal Bill consisted of Mr. Zellah Covington and Miss Rose Wilber in "The Parsonage", a playest enacted by the two people, Mr. Edward Jolly and Miss. Winifred Wild and Co, in Ma. P.T. Barnum, Un", The Wilbur Mack and Miss Nella Walker the originators of their style of act, Miss Grayce Scott (The Providence Stock Company favorite) and her Company in the Divorce Dinner, and Bert Lovy the famous artist entertainer.

Karl Tausig is traveling way down south, in Central America.

William Gould and Hazel Cox will play Young's Pier, Atlantic City, next week.

Martin Beck is due to leave for Chicago the end of this week for a short stay.

Van Cleve-Denton and "Pete" have signed to play the last fourteen weeks of the Hip season.

George Armstrong has signed to finish the season with Harry Hasting's show.

Sandberg and Lee, in the west for the past two years, will soon open in the east.

La Belle Nello (Mrs. Charley Stevens) sailed with her husband for England last Saturday.

Roberts' Rat Circus is headed east, due to play Mt. Vernon Jan. 23. Bill Lykens is the feller behind.

Roberts, Hayes and Roberts open at the American, New Orleans, this Sunday for the Morris Circuit.

Daisy Harcourt has set the opening of her Australian engagement over the Brennan Circuit for May 21.

Bassett Russell has replaced Richard Webster, deceased, as the colored servant in "The Little Stranger."

Harry Tighe plays New York next week in a sketch requiring seven people and written by Geo. Henry Payne.

"Pretty Risette" and "The Doll Girl" are two musical productions Charles Frohman will present. Each is Viennese.

Chas. Ahearn's new act "The Six-Day Bicycle Race" will be first shown Jan. 23. The act will have fifteen people in it.

Emma Don, the English male impersonator, will open next week at the Plaza, her first appearance in New York.

Clayton White and Marie Stuart are touring the Orpheum Circuit, Murphy and Nichols start over the same chain within a week or so.

"Doc" Quigley, with the Al Fields Minstrels is not in the best of health, George Thutcher has received an offer to join the troupe.

Williams and Tucker withdrew from the program at the American this week not opening there. "Skinny's Finish" had been billed.

Madam Ayoc, the Danish nightingale, engaged for the Orpheum Circuit, arrived on the Kaiser Frederick der Grosse, Wednesday.

Joe Hart has an idea he can fit Marie Empress to an act, and may make the attempt. Miss Empress is willing.

NOTES

Black and White, the importation by Hurtig & Seamon, are engaged to appear in the Morris houses. They are a female comedy aerobatic turn.

Mrs. Johnny Collins is recovering rapidly from his recent attack of rheumatism, pronounced serious at one time

The Vivians have been engaged through the New York Marinelli agency to play at the Olympia, Paris, opening Feb. 14.

Andy Tombes, of "The College Girls," playing a juvenile part, has been out of the cast for several weeks. He is very ill.

A "No. 2" company to play "The Spring Maid" is being spoken of, with Adele Ritchie mentioned as a possible candidate for the leading female role.

Reba Dale and a company of fourteen are appearing this week at Young's Pier, Atlantic City, in an act from "Carmen."

Miss Charlotte Granville, the English tragedlenne, is soon to offer herself for a vaudeville routing in a piece adapted from the Frencr.

Alf Reeves, manager of the Karno Comedy Company, and Amy Minister, the Karno soubret, were married at the City Hall, New York, Jan. 4.

Tom Mahoney left the bill at Keith's Providence, R. I., after the Monday matinee this week, not caring for the "No. 2" spot assigned him on the program.

Bennie Burke finally managed to enter the bonds of wedlock last Sunday. Quite a number of agents journeyed to Brooklyn to see Bennie take the leap.

The New York Herald Thursday carried a story intimating pretty strongly that there would be a new order of management at the New Theatre after this season.

John Grieves, the well known burlesque manager, hurried from Philadelphia on Thursday morning so as to be present at his home to receive a youthful visitor. It's a boy.

Maudie Donegan, of the Dunedin Troupe, and Harry Mallia (Mallia and Hart) were married Christmas Eve. The newlyweds will finish out their separate engagements for the season.

Mudge and Morton who have not appeared locally in about six years have placed their immediate bookings with Alf T. Wilton. A portion of the absence has been spent in Europe.

Les Jundts have joined Shean & Gallagher's "Big Banner Show." Al Jundt, formerly an agent, in addition to appearing in the olio is planning an Irish comedy role in the afterpiece.

"Excuse Me" will be the title of the next of the productions that will be made by Henry W. Savage. This offering is due to take to the road for the "on the dog" period early next month.

Dazie injured her hand in Atlantic City last week. She returned to New New York with the intention of having it X-rayed to ascertain the exact injury. Dazie fulfilled the week's engagement at the seashore.

Two acts were closed at the American after the Monday night performance. Tuesday the Bert Leslie players in the "Hogan" sketch, with Geo. Roland, along with another comedy act, were inserted in the program.

Tommy Gillen returned to New York this week after several months of playing in the west. Mr. Gillen is booked for the remainder of the season in the east, opening Monday at the Fultou, Brooklyn.

Eddie Herron in a sketch nas been placed for Sullivan-Considine Circuit to open during March. Jack Irwin, the "wireless" operator, will go along the same route as a "single." Freeman Bernstein is the booker of both.

Tom Smith, the eccentric dancing comedian, who has been with Joe Hart's "Three Peaches" has returned to New York and will again be seen as a single. He has his first showing at the Olympic Sunday.

Lena Bruce, who was the prima donna with Sam Howe's "Love-makers" until several weeks ago, is shortly to make her debut in vaudeville in what she says is "going to be a real novelty act."

The Morris office has placed the Four Amaranths for the Star and Garter, Chicago, next week, as extra attraction. Joe Welch will occupy the same position at the Gayety, Pittsburg.

Billy Clark, formerly of Armstrong and Clark, joins the Farrell-Taylor Trio next week, when the act will "break in" for the "new man," afterwards taking up the full season's route it has.

Laura Nelson Hall will have the titular role in Henry W. Savage's production of "Everywoman" when that piece is put on. Walter Browne, who was responsible for "A Fool There Was" is the author. Rehearsals will be started immediately.

Of the new acts from abroad at the American, New York, next week, Chas. Aldrich is a singer, known as "The Pavillion Tenor," claiming to have appeared longer and more often at that London hall than any other act.

W. S. Hart will be featured in "Wade of the Mounted" which opens Jan. 23 at Dockstader's, Wilmington, Del. Bertle Herron in a new act will

play the same house for the week commencing that date. M. S. Bentham did the booking.

Harry T. Rose, the former stage manager of the Garick, New York, who was convicted and sentenced to nineteen years in prison ,was released from Sing Sing this week, having been pardoned.

Edward Abeles in 'He Tried to Be Nice," has been booked for the Williams houses in New York, opening Monday at the Colonial. Al Sutherland attended to it. Grant Stewart wrote the sketch. Mr. Abeles has been abroad for the past three months.

Clarice Mayne plays at the Grand Opera House, Indianapolis, next week, closing her middle-western visit at Cincinnati the week following. Within a short time Miss Mayne will be obliged to return to England to take up contracted engagements over there.

Jules Ruby says he will, by kind permission of F. F. Proctor (Sr, and Jr.), book the bills for Hammerstein's Roof, commencing Jan. 16. Jules is developing a line of con that is astounding, when considering what he has always been credited with knowing.

Geo. W. Leslie has a comedy sketch with three people, besides himself, in it. M. S. Bentham has the booking. The piece is named "Leave It to Me." Mr. Leslie was in "Chums," and played Harry Davenport's role in "The Naked Truth," when that act tripped over the Orpheum time.

Hammerstein's Roof had another old "afterpiece" last night (Friday). "Irish Justice" and "Razor Jim" have been the offerings so far, one each Friday evening during the past two weeks. The actors on the program "downstairs" take parts in the pieces. "Big Foot Wallace" was on the list for this week's entertainment. About twenty-five minutes are allowed for the running. Aaron Kessler is general manager of the production.

Joe Kennedy is a frank little cuss; this is what Joe has to say:

Knoxville, Tenn., Jan. 3. Please note that Joe Kennedy, roller skater and dancer, has been very ill at his father's home in Knoxville, says his father has treated him "imense"—even though he "flopped" from his (father's) proposition to;—quit the business, settle down, and "do something" (accent on the do)states his father has kindly consented to advance him transportation to make the jump out of Knoxville (kind and generous father). That he has been feeling very "crooked" past few weeks, but hopes to be doing his straight act again soon .--- (Curtain)-(shut) - who originated shut? (give 'em credit). Elsa Most: if you see this I want to tell you you are interfering with my sleep-write me.

Prosperous New Year to everybody—no. I suppose you never heard of me, catch my act. I make lots of goise.

YOUR IDEAL VAUDEVILLE BILL IN PRIZES \$200

\$100 for the best bill submitted; \$50 second prize; \$25 third prize; \$15 fourth and \$10 fifth.

SELECT YOUR OWN JUDGE

"What would make up an ideal bill?" seems to be leading all other interest in the Ideal Bill competition. The publication last week of one program which footed up in total cost \$19,000 started discussion among the profession. The impracticability of the bill in every way was quickly recognized. The heavily salaried program would be wearisome—though one might persuade a \$2,000 or \$2,-500 act to "open" the show, or appear in the "No. 2" position.

The consensus of opinion is that the Ideal Bill is the one which should provide the greatest quantity of enjoyable entertainment. To bring an enjoyable entertainment together it is admitted there must be variety. The two judges in the lead were asked this week by a VARIETY representative for their idea of the ideal bill. Percy G. Williams replied that if selected he would judge the programs on their merit as entertaining without regard to price excepting bearing in mind that a program to be practicable must be one that the vaudeville managers could afford to pay for. Mr. Williams also remarked that a bill to he practicable must be clear of conflictions (no two or more similar turns). A point made by Mr. Williams which may not have been made plain is that no act or person which has not appeared in a vaudeville performance is eligible.

The ideas of Pat Casey on the subject were akin to Mr. Williams, although Mr. Casey (who is second in the list) went into the matter further. He said the bill which would please in New York City would not necessarily be the ideal one. To his mind the ideal program must be a show which would please from top to bottom in seventy per cent. of the vaudeville theatres of America. It would have to contain acts which are recognized as pleasing the country over. This opinion of Mr. Casey's is strictly the showman's point of view and recognized by all vaudeville players. It is an established fact that all acts do not fare the same, as they travel about. What one town favors perhaps the next town may dislike. There is a headliner in New York City this week scoring a big success who "flopped" completely in a small town in the east.

That Mr. Casey's remarks on the country-over popular show hits a responsive feeling in the player's mind is borne out by a letter received from St. Paul, dated Jan. 5, signed by Dorothy Rushmore of Charles Kendall and Dorothy Rushmore. It says in part:

I notice that the Ideal Bills heretofore submitted include artists of Metropolitan prominence only. I have noticed in my many years of experience that some acts that are knockouts on Broadway (New York) fall flat on Market street (San Francisco).

A party of vaudeville performers, including myself, at an impromptu luncheon after the performance here tried to figure out a bill that would go great in New York City, but also would appeal to the people of Salt Lake, Los Angeles, New Orleans, Winnipeg, Chicago, and Sloux City.

Although I have made several suggestions toward the making of the bill, I do not deserve the entire credit. Several acts playing St. Paul this week have had a hand in it. But they all agreed to send the bill over my signature.

In the event that this bill should be a prize winner, we all desire that the prize awarded will be turned over to the Actor's Fund.

The Ideal Bill submitted by Miss Rushmore, in the order written, is W. C. Fields, Rinaldo, White and Stu-

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Write in name only of act. Mail to Ideal Bill, VARIETY, New York.

VOTE FOR YOUR OWN **JUDGE**

The blank space may be filled in with the name of any manager or agent preferred.

Any variety manager or agent in the United States and Canada eligible, including resident managers of theatres. (Any agent, male or female, connected with an agency may be voted for.)

(No vote for a professional or newspaper man will be counted.)

art, Johnson and Dean, Cinquevalli, intermission, Staley and Birbeck, Jas. Thornton, Vesta Tilley, Kaufman Bicycle Troupe.

Another very readable letter received this week with bill enclosed is from Geo. B. Alexander, who says:

Cincinnati, Jan. 6. I am enclosing three sets of **VOTE FOR JUDGE**

(Votes received up to Jan. 11, a. m.) PERCY G. WILLIAMS....1261 PAT CASEY 989 JENIE JACOBS 667 WILLIAM MORRIS 589 MARTIN BECK 817 HARRY LEONHARDT 47 WILLIAM HAMMERSTEIN . 81 CHARLES E. BRAY..... 24 JULE DELMAR 20 HARRY JORDAN 18 GEO. F. DRISCOLL..... 15 JACK LEVY 15 JOS. SCHENCK LOUIS WESLEY 14 CHAS. J. KRAUS..... 11 MARCUS LOEW 10 VICTOR WILLIAMS JOS. C. DOUGHERTY..... GEORGE CASTLE 7 ARTHUR KLEIN 6 JOE PEARLSTEIN 5 FREDERICK G. ROSEBUSH ĸ ROBERT KOLLER 5 SAM HODGDON 5 GEORGE S. O'BRIEN..... 5

Ideal Bills, and in this connection let me say I do not really think the matter of the cost of a bill should enter into consideration.

CLAUDE HUMPHRIES

FRED NIXON-NIRDLINGER

First, because none but actual buyers of acts know their cost. Second, the public don't care if a bill cost \$1,000 or \$10,000if it entertains all the way.

Third, if a manager gets a cheap bill, which does record business, it is an accident not liable to happen again in a long time.

Fourth, selection of an allstar bill that won't conflict and has enough of a lift from the start to carry each act on to a hurrah final for the closing number, is quite enough of a problem for manager, layman or professional artist.

Now also I think Pat Casey the best judge of an act in the business, but I'm voting for P. G. Williams for Judge, because he is the originator of the big bill policy, pays the money for them, and there is quite a difference in picking bills for some one else

picking bills for some one to pay for, and in picking according to your own ideas of what is what for your own little show shop.

The vote for Judge showed a marked increase this week, with Mr. Williams still maintaining a good lead. The coupons which seemed to have been held back the first couple of weeks commenced to make their appears one envelope arriving with a still maintaining a good lead. The coupons which seemed to have been held back the first couple of weeks commenced to make their appears one envelope arriving with a still maintaining a good lead. The coupons which seemed to have been held back the first couple of the still maintaining a good lead. The coupons which seemed to have been held back the first couple of the still maintaining a good lead. The coupons which seemed to have been held back the first couple of the still maintaining a good lead. The coupons which seemed to have been held back the first couple of the still maintaining a good lead. The coupons which seemed to have been held back the first couple of the still maintaining a good lead. The coupons which seemed to have been held back the first couple of the still maintaining a good lead. The coupons which seemed to have been held back the first couple of the still maintaining a good lead. The coupons which seemed to have been held back the first couple of the still maintaining a good lead. The coupons which seemed to have been held back the first couple of the still maintaining a good lead. The coupons which seemed to have been held back the first couple of the still maintaining a good lead. The coupons which seemed to have been held back the first couple of the still maintaining a good lead. The coupons which seemed to have been held back the first couple of the still maintaining a good lead. The coupons which seemed to have been held back the first couple of the still maintaining a good lead. The coupons which seemed to have been held back the first couple of the still maintaining a good lead. The coupons which seemed to have been 43 votes for Mr. Williams in it. Mr. Casey holds the same relative position in the count, while William Morris and Martin Beck, the two other well known vaudeville men, gained but little over their count of last week.

Jenie Jacobs is making a remarkable run. Though an "agentess,"

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Miss Jacobs seems to have a great number of admirers who believe she

NEW ACTS NEXT WEEK

Initial Presentation, First Appearance or Reappearance In or Around New York

Corse Payton and Co., American.
"Sisters From Saais," American.
Leona Roberti and Dancers, American.

Chas. Aldrich, American.
Adeline Genee, Colonial,
Edward Abeles and Co., Colonial (New
Act).

Williams and Schwartz, Colonial.
Four Baltus, Colonial.
Kitty Gordon, Hammerstein's.
Tempest and Sunshine, Hammerstein's

De Haven and Sidney.
"Girl" Act.
20 Min.; One and Three (Special Drops).

Empress, Chicago. Chas. De Haven and Jack Sidney carry six girls and four special drops for the act in which Jack Rogan "presents" them. The opening marks the one novelty of the frame-up. The boys are shown at the telephone in a hotel lobby, conversing, in song, with six girls who have come to New York from different cities throughout the country. The girls, with telephones in hand, appear in the theatre boxes to sing responsive choruses. The Empress gave an excellent chance for a liberal staging of the "audience" section of the song, as there was an empty box for each girl-and six more empties which they might have used. The introductory song "dates up" the girls at the new Pennsylvania Station, where in traveling dress the eight members of the act sing and dance. There is a bit of double dancing for De Haven and Sidney before an olio in one, and a snow scene for the girls and boys to sing "Winter," slide down hill and dance some more. "The Frisco Swing" is the finale, the full eight participating in one of those dancehall "rags" which indicate that something worth while may be started with the inevitable result that nothing worth while ever happens. In all details the act is crude and unfinished. It lacks stage management, requires something more in the line of dressing for the girls than cheap clothes and should boast more than simple step dancing and "ragging," with a few songs thrown in. In "Winter" the scene looks cold enough for the boys and girls to put on gloves or, beter still, "mittens," muffle up their ears and really act as though the paper snow flakes meant something. There are no "effects" in the train shed, and the back-drop used for the finale might better be some painted scene with life in it, rather than a cloth drop which carries the monograms of the boys as its only adornment. "Girl acts" require nice dressing, snappy action and a general element of animation and brightness which De Haven and Sidney have not supplied. It will need a regular producer to instill the needed tonic, a new complement of wardrobe for the girls and a goodly amount of stage management before this act will

class in any sort of competition.

Walt.

Pauline Perry and Co. (8).
"The Silver Bottle" (Musical Comedy).
29 Mins.; Full Stage (Special Set).
Fifth Ave.

"Miniature Musical Comedy" the program calls "The Silver Bottle." George Totten Smith wrote the book; Samuel Lehman the music. The piece appears to be the condensed rehash of a musical show. There was a "Silver Bottle" musical comedy produced some time back, but whether this is what was left of it or not is not known. "Miniature Musical Comedy" is not a new billing line. Almost every act with a couple of solos and a duet believes it is that. For vaudeville musical comedy "The Silver Bottle" has been very well arranged. There is a little story, told complete, without much plot. A young artist is engaged. His fiance, to test his love, has herself shipped in a large mummy case to the artist's home. When he opens the case he does not recognize his fiance in her Egyptian garments. A small silver bottle attached to the girl's dress bears an inscription which reads that if the girl's soul-mate breathes into the bottle she will come to life. He breathes The girl is happy and everybody is satisfied, he, she and the bottle. Besides there are six chorus girls, not well dressed, not capable and not well trained. They figure in three or four numbers without attracting attention. Their changes of costume are neither pretty nor becoming. The remaining member of the cast is an elevator boy hired by the artist. He is the one who may save the act, if it is to be saved. Eugene Moulan is a clever comedian, a first rate dancer and will become popular with vaudeville audiences if the chance reaches him. A cross between Pat Rooney and Eddie Foy may sound funny, but that is what Eugene is. He reminds strongly of both without aping either. No restriction should be placed on this boy. He should be allowed to go as far as he likes and whatever he does will serve to advance the act. Miss Perry is the star. "Late prima donna of 'The Merry Widow' and 'Climax,'' according to program, she has a cultivated singing voice, nicely handled. Miss Perry wears a couple of stunning costumes and fits the role in every respect. Walter C. White is the artist. A good voice and a pleasing personality place Walter right. His evening dress, however, is of a fadaway date. Alongside of Miss Perry in her up-to-the-minute frock Walter might be anything from a head waiter down. The trouble with "The Silver Bottle" is that it reached vaudeville about three years late. Vaudeville has had so many elaborate costumes and scenic musical affairs that "The Bottle" appears tame. Placed in the best possible position in a good running show with a big house present, the act did fairly well Monday night. Under less advantageous conditions the miniature remains a question Dash

Despite a report that she had broken her leg, Mrs. Barry (Barry and Wolford) only wrenched her knee. The injury was sufficient to force the couple to cancel last week at Syracuse. Mrs. Barry is doing nicely and will soon be able to resume.

Max Rogers, C. William Kolb and Co.
(6).
"The Delicatessen Shop" (Musical

Comedy).
32 Mins.; Full Stage (Special Set).
Fifth Ave.

Max Rogers and William Kolb followed Lew Fields in "The Summer Widowers" and were to have gone to the coast with that production, but things theatrical are not always worked according to schedule. So the two German comedians are taking a respite in vaudeville. "The Delicatessen Shop" is a scene from the second act of "The Widowers." Nothing has been changed. Even Vernon Castle, the tall, narrow one who was a hit with the show, has been brought into the easy money route. Castle scored a solid hit with the vaudeville 'audience, who would have preferred more of his thin and a little less of the Germans' thick comedy. The title explains the act. The set is a delicatessen shop with the two Germans as joint proprietors. The idea is funny, although not new. Both men do good work. As a team Rogers and Kolb will easily pass, although there might be more contrast in the method, as there is in their size. Rogers, always a funny German, has lost little of his laugh provoking qualities. His funny face and quaint antics go farther to arouse amusement than all the lines that could be handed him. He does not need "riddles" to make him funny. Kolb depends probably more upon the writers, but is still a good German and a first rate comedian. For vaudeville purposes "The Delicatessen Shop" is running too long. Thirty-two minutes is a long time for a vaudeville audience, and still longer for a laughing act, which must have a laugh a second. It won't do for Rogers and Kolb to be an ordinary laughing act. If their vaudeville venture is to be labeled a success they must be one of those continuous laughing things. It is expected of them. As the act stands there are big laughs in spots, again the action dwindles to slow going. This can all be remedied by a judicious cutting of from eight to twelve minutes The songs of both comedians might be taken out as a starter. "Foolish Questions" is an "old boy" for vaudeville and Max Rodgers' parodied medley is out of date. They do not need the songs. Charlotte Violet and Marie Earle figure in small ways. Each does well. There are also a couple of men with little to do. In the second half of the program the act scored in the laugh department, but ran too long for applause at the finish. Dash.

Matthews and Rees. Jumper. 7 Mins.; Full Stage. American.

The billing may be "Charles Matthews, assisted by Doris Rees." Mr. Matthews is a jumper; Miss Rees, in knickerbockers, his announcer. Matthews makes some excellent long jumps. Long jumps are all, excepting a couple of barrel tricks. It is not beyond the usual act of its sort. Closing the long show at the American Monday Matthews did well enough in that position.

Amelia Summerville. Singing Monolog. 9 Mins.; One. American.

Well gowned, and majestically slim as well as handsome, Amelia Summerville returned to vaudeville at the American Monday with two catchy songs of the lighter description, and a fairly humorous monolog on the Suffragette subject. The latter was away from the usual run, containing several good points, two or three not sinking very deep. Miss Summerville's voice and enunciation are the best features of the present turn. Her songs, "Alma" and "Who Were You With Tonight?" left an impression, through the breeziness of the music and lyrics. "Alma" may have been heard in the Weber "Alma" show. The other selection is the Maude Raymond number from "Girlies." The latter fits in at the end of Miss Summerville's talk, but had the two songs been reversed in position, and "Alma" used to close the act, it would have been much better for the singer. For an encore Miss Summerville changed her matinee encore song to "Mistah Johnson, Good Night," singing the "coon" to better advantage than the "straight" number at the matinee. Still it was not the proper thing. Miss Summerville's present act can stand no encore. The encore song takes away the remembrance of the dialog, and hurts the effect of the act. While passing fairly well, the talk is capable of being padded greatly for more laughing points, of the broad sort. That it in any way relates to "Woman's Rights" is a mark of demerit. That thing has been done brown from every angle, excepting the one selected by Miss Summerville, and the angle left for her does not contain sufficient room. Sime

Leon Rogee. Imitations. 10 Mins.; One; Special Drop. Alhambra.

Leon Rogee has built an act around his imitations of the various musical instruments. The several instruments imitated are actually handled, making the imitations more effective. They are all very well done, the 'cello being especially good. Rogee, however, has wisely gone beyond the mimicry, inserting a good bit of quiet, effective comedy. The "'cello" opens up. It is a complete cellarette. From it he takes a bottle of beer and to the amusement of the house enjoys a drink. Other similar bits are introduced and this, with the imitator's manner and easy stage presence, makes the act well worth while. As a finish straight whistling is indulged in. It is very well done and brought forth a goodly volume of applause, but Rogee used judgment in letting well enough alone, leaving with the house in the best of humor. The new turn makes a very entertaining ten minutes and can be fitted into any bill.

Dash.

The Marvellous Millers are offered by M. S. Bentham to vaudeville managers. They made up the whirlwind dancing act, appearing in "The Midnight Sons." Martha Russell and Co. (2). "The First Law of Nature" (Dramatic).

20 Min.; Four (Interior). Star and Garter, Chicago.

Reversing the intent of their employment Miss Russell and Co. "weakened" the "Rentz-Santley" show at the Sunday night performance. First Law of Nature" is of a type of sketch which has no place upon the stage. A woman with a "past" (escaped from Joliet with still three years to serve), her former paramour comes to levy tribute upon the present wife of a reputable citizen who has married in ignorance of his bride's career, the passing of a roll of "hush money," a final scene wherein the crimson shame of the wife is left unrevealed through a murder done in the center of the stage, the husband shifting to his own shoulders responsibility for the crime-are these the proper lngredients for "entertainment?" Don Merrifield and Geo. Kenneth do some excellent acting in support of Miss Russell's characterization of the wanton who is unwilling to tell to her husband the truth and to hide said truth prefers to kill the man who knows the fateful facts. While the leading role is difficult to portray, Miss Russell does not in most salient features realize more than the hysterical side of it; she lends no touch of the remorseful woman to win sympathy, but brings to the part an air of sniffling and groveling which incites the thought that she has not heard the true call of reform, which she vaunts in seeking deliverance from the barnacle fastened upon her. But if she were the greatest actress in the realm, she could not make of the work in hand anything more than a needless display of criminality the which, while perhaps reflecting true conditions, should not pass unchal-Walt. lenged.

West and Van Siclen. Musical Sketch. 15 Min.; One and Four (Interior). Chicago.

For several months J. Royer West and Ida Van Siclen have been developing their present offering. They tried it for one Sunday night at the Fifth Avenue, New York, in its early stages; seen then and now vast improvement is noted. As the interlude is fundamentally a musical act, the manipulation of several different instruments is the real feature; but the introduction of some bright comedy heips materially in rounding out a most entertaining number. The act has "The Apology" as its billing, a title provoked by the opening where both Miss Van Siclin and Mr. West apologize in turn, through a brief speech in "one" for the non-appearance of the other in time to do their act, each promising to alone do their best. The draw off to a parlor set brings them both on to proceed with the work. It would be better if only Miss Van Siclin made an "announcement," as the idea becomes trivial when West immediately comes on to repeat the "apology." Once they are started they work into a speedy routine of melody and monolog, duets and duolog Walt.

Anna Chandler. Songs. 17 Mins.; One. Alhambra.

Anna Chandler went to England last summer, before she had tried out New York vaudeville. Anna was the first American girl to get over there with the "Lovey Rag" stuff, catching the English on the fly. She was a big success abroad. It was mainly through the Two Bobs, Rinaldo, and Anna that the craze for the "rag stuff" started in England. In America Miss Chandler will find harder going than she did in the foreign country, for besides her singing, to the English she was a novelty. In New York she will have to work directly against this. There have been so many "single singers" with the "wriggley" songs that the audiences are becoming a bit weary of them. Starting in a "Rosie" number with an Eddie Leonard "Wah Wah" to it, Miss Chandler got a fine start at the Alhambra, the best house that she could have opened in. This was followed by "A Business Man," new, very well put over in the Hebrew dialect. An Italian number followed. and was well liked, but there is not enough distinctiveness about Miss Chandler's dialect. It is her good singing voice which is the most effective when she sings quietly and that gets her over. "I Love It" and "Lovie Joe" were the remainder, making the singer a solid success. Several recalls were demanded and a speech finished off. As long as the present craze for this style of song lasts Miss Chandler will be all right. Dash.

Will Rogers and Co. (3). Wild West. 18 Mins.; Full Stage. Columbia.

Will Rogers explains the reason for his new act to the audience in few words. He says "I've been getting away with this junk for so long that I thought you would get wise to me sooner or later so I went out and dug up a little new stuff with which to bunk you for a few more years." Rogers is doing an act quite different from his former offering, even though the rope is still the main feature. It is Rogers through who is liked. His personality, careless manner and broad grin are worth more than the most intricate tricks that could be figured out. Some of the lariat throwing has been dropped to allow Rogers to give an imitation of Fred Stone in his lariat dance. Rogers is a surprise when he starts dancing, and gets away with it big. To make it more difficult, he shows how George Cohan would do the dance were he to start throwing the rope. This brought a storm of applause. With the dancing goes talk in which Rogers "kids" his imitations. There are many laughs folded in the few remarks. As a finish Rogers introduces a young gir, about whom he telis wonderous tales as regards broncho riding. A broncho is lead out and with the aid of two men the young woman is placed in the saddie, holding her position easily while the horse jumps and dives all over the stage. It makes a bully good finish to an all around entertaining specialty that is an improvement over Roger's former act, which was good enough. Dash.

Earl Flynn and Nettie McLaughlin. Songs and Dances. 13 Mins.; One. Columbia.

Eari Flynn and Nettie McLaughlin are one of those puzzle acts, met now and again. There is something the matter somewhere but just what it is, is not easy to state. This the couple will probably admit themselves, for the act did not get anything near what they should have had at the Columbia Tuesday night. The position was good and the house was well filled with a fair audience. Flynn is a dandy dresser who holds up his clothes well. He has a good singing voice, is graceful and easy on his feet but still does not get over as he should. It may be that he holds aloft a trifile too much and doesn't try getting nearer his audience. Miss McLaughlln is a pretty little girl with a baby voice. She wears several cute gowns and dances exceedingly well but she also does not hit it off just right. It may be the couple are trying to work too fast, not giving time enough to anything they do. It isn't often that an act is accused of working too fast, usually the opposite. Some would probably say it is impossible to work too fast but that is neither here nor there. The certainty is that there is something radically wrong with the specialty as it stands. Everything should be tried until the wrong is righted. The couple have appearance, wardrobe and ability. It is up to them for the proper result. This does not mean that the act is not good. It ls simply not as good as it should be. and what the couple are capable of.

The Four Jones. Colored Singers. 9 Mins.; One. Plaza.

A comedy quartet of four colored boys with good voices. The act was on at the Plaza in next to closing position and did fairly well. What it needs the most is general rerrangement. There are big comedy possibilities that would make the turn worth materially more if handled properly. The boys do very well with the singing, but fall down in all other respects with the exception of dressing. In its present shape the act is suitable only for the "small time." Fred.

May and Major Singing. 10 Mins.; One. Gane's Manhattan.

This team has many points in its favor. The members are young, good looking and possess voices that are a treat on the "small time." and experience will help them scale ioftier heights, although there will have to be a rearrangement of the act before the bigger houses are attempted. Different dressing should be adopted, although the present offering is strong enough for the smaller houses. The voices biend harmoniously, the range of Miss Major's standing out conspicuously. The act is opened with a conversational number in spot, followed by solos by each. Mr. May sings "Ireland" sweetly and effectively. Miss Major scores with "The Last Rose of Summer." the finish a march song is used. Mark.

Grace Wilson. Songs. 15 Mins.; One. Plaza, Chicago

By the process of introducing costume changes, Grace Wilson has prepared her singing specialty for a responsible place on any bili. The new arrangement retains her winsome personality and decks her handsome figure in a variety of beautiful gowns, differing from the former train length which she wore throughout her offering. The rapidity with which the changes are made constitutes an impressive feature of her new turn, as she seems to have hardly left the stage until returning with each change niore elaborately gowned. One of the few women in vaudeville who really sing their songs, is Miss Wilson. She has a strong and melodious voice, and has selected songs best sulted to her vocal glfts. The numbers are all character verse, varying in types and including a wide range. Mlss Wiison retains from her old specialty but one song, "Many Different Ways to Say Good-Bye," the best of her previous repertoire. After singing four songs she was called back for five bows, each of her selections having built up increasing applause, and finally sang "Lovey Joe." In this she sheds an entirely new light, and by her odd method purges it of any suggestiveness, transforming the selection into an almost ideal "coon" love song. In this alone Miss Wilson displays talents which give her individuality among vaudeville singers. With other phases of her abilities displayed in four different types of verse and character, her cleverness is demonstrated beyond cavil. The Plaza audience was wiidly demonstrative in appreciation.

Mile. Aribola. Music and Dancing. 10 Mins.; Two (Purple Drop).

From looks, singing and dancing, this young woman is a native of Russia. She first appears in a musical speciaity, playing the mandolin and the xylophone. The numbers are fairly well received. A change to evening dress and she sings a selection that at first does not bring the impression desired, although by the second verse by working to a young man in a box evidently a "plant," the turn secured some attention. For the close, Aribola dons showy Russian garb and proceeds to combine singing and dancing, the latter receiving the most applause. Her dance is short, but well done. There is enough merit and talent to make the act desirable.

"Sister Act." Orpheum, Salt Lake.

Appearing for the first time on this circuit and perhaps on the vaudeville stage, the Misses Mansfield and Clark, with good singing and comedy receive quick appreciation. They dress prettify, and secure faughable comedy, with burlesque dancing and songs. Each of the girls has appearance and should put it over wherever playing. Oiren.

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Mansfield and Clark.

CAMERA DECISION SWEEPING.

The absorbing topic in picture cires this week was the ruling of idge LaCombe in the United States ircuit Court against the Champion iim Co., Yankee Film Co. and Wilam Steiner, Herbert L. Miles and oseph Miles, trading as the Atlas ilm Co., and William Steiner, Charles . Henkel, Herbert L. Miles and Joeph Miles, individually, which desion upheld the Motion Picture Patnts Company in its allegation that hese defendants used cameras that inringed on the Edison camera patent Io. 12.037.

In his opinion, the judge said, that he testimony of one of the defendints with that "of other testimony eems to indicate sufficiently to make out a prima facie case that these two ameras are really of the Gaumont or so-called 'beater' type which have been held to infringe in Motion Picture Co. vs. The Champion Film Co. recently decided. Injunction may be taken against all the defendants."

All kinds of rumors flittered to and fro regarding the future stand of the defendants but none stood on solid ground. The most startling report was that one of the best known companies on the Independent side would quietly fold its manufacturing tents and give the States the go-by, establishing its plant in Canada where it would escape all chances of being haled into the U.S. courts to show reason why a restraining injunction be not granted against it for using certain camera makes.

Meanwhile the Dittenfass concern and the Steiner plant are continuing to make pictures and announce releases as though nothing had happened.

OLDEST OPERATOR DIES.

Chicago, Jan. 12.

Harry Dodd, one of Chicago's oldest picture operators, succumbed here to an attack of pneumonia. A widow, known on the stage as Kitty Sherman, survives.

Dodd had nine years' service as operator with the old London Museum on State street. Of late he has been connected with the Ideal, Sixty-third and Halstead streets.

PICTURE NOTES.

To protect the rights and influence favorable legislation on behalf of its members is the object of the Exhibitors' League of Pennsylvania which has been formed in Philadelphia. It will be officered by Walter Stuempfig as president; J. V. Redmond, vicepresident; Charles Stengel, second vice-president; John W. Donnelly, treasurer; Charles F. Kelley, secretary.

J. A. Breault has been appointed the new manager of the Star, Newport, R. I. He is an old-time theatrical man.

With a capital of \$10,000 the Kinotype Co. of Rochester, N. Y., has been ircorporated to deal in pictures. The directors are Tiffany Barnard, James H. Wescott and Herbert T. Ranney of Mt. Morris.

NATIONAL CLAIMS BIG.

When the National Film Manufacturing & Leasing Co. was recently formed, dubious eyes were riveted upon it from divers sources but the progress made by the new organization in the past week has begun to give it a formidable aspect and from all appearances bids fair to become a factor to be reckoned with in the moving picture world.

The company's purpose is to place an exclusive agency in each city and the territory so proportioned that there will be no confliction of exchanges or films handled by the new organization.

The company announces twelve releases a week, eight American subjects and four foreign reels.

Officials in the Sales Co. and Patents Co. claim that no inroads have been made on any of their strongholds and are inclined to regard the new organization rather lightly.

The heads of the National Company say the rapid growth of its business will eventually make it one of the leading powers in the picture traffic.

INSPECTING TENEMENTS.

A corps of inspectors were sent out this week by Tenement House Commissioner John J. Murphy to make a careful inspection of the east side tenements of New York in which articles of a combustible nature like celluloid goods, which, under the fire laws must not be stored in buildings.

Assistant Corporation Counsel O'Brien said: "The conditions are a revelation to this department. There is no use enforcing the tenement house laws in the daytime if they are to be disregarded during the night. The law has stepped in to prevent the giving of moving picture shows in tenement houses because of the danger from fire. If the celluloid films are subjected to the heat from the light behind them for more than a few seconds they are likely to explode and cause a fire or a fire panic."

BIG MOVE RUMORED.

Chicago, Jan. 12.

It is rumored several Chicago financiers are planning to make a big move in the picture business, which if successfully promulgated will mean the closing of many of the "store shows" in small towns.

The arrangement will mean the formation of a circuit of more than 700 theatres, reaching from coast to coast, which will take in all the small towns within this radius. While the story is incomplete, and unlikely as rumored, there is understood to be a foundation which will eventually develop.

A MACHINE FOR ALIMONY.

Chattanooga, Jan. 12.

Strange things happen even in picture circles. Mamie B. Nickerson, in a bill for divorce filed in chancery against W. T. Nickerson, a traveling negro preacher, asks for a moving picture machine as alimony.

Nickerson, it is alleged, mortgaged his wife's home for \$250 in order to purchase a "motionograph machine." He declared a harvest would result from exhibitions, but the Mrs. avers, that he has not supported her. .

"SHADOWS OF THE PAST" (Selig).
The Selig camera squad covered itself with "SHADOWS OF THE PART" (Seing).

The Seing camera aquad covered itself with glory, turning out a picture that on photographic quality will take a blue ribbon anywhere. The story is plausible and is unfolded amid the beauty of the tropics. The characters are well played and the picture from start to finish gives immense satisfaction.

MARK.

"ALL'S FAIR IN LOVE." (Vitagraph.)
A mischief-loving little school girl spiendidly acted by Zenia Kiefe, a vaudeville artist, plays a prank on her school-mistress which works up a rainy climax that will please the most critical picture audience. This American school miss is shown to better advantage than the Pathe "Betty," who oversteps the line of comedy construction in most of her work.

MARK.

"THE EVILS OF BETTING" (Pathe).
An old idea fairly well worked up. The story sags at the ends. A man engaged to be married receives a sure tip from "one who knows" what "Alma II" is going to do in a horse race. The man robe his sweetheart's mother, but the detective work of a little boy, results in his identity being made known to the relatives. A film that is harmless, but the detailing.

MARK.

"IN THE LAND OF MONKEYS AND SNAKES" (Pathe).

One gots a new phase of jungle life before the camera. First a horde of monkeys are shown, being fed by Sunda Isle natives. Then a monkey is sent up a cocanut tree by his master and he shows his training as a cocanut gatherer. Water snakes and birds that inhabit jungle caves pase in review before the photographer. Two huge reptiles are seen in the hands of dark-skinned natives at the close. A very interesting picture, nicely tinted and typically true.

MARK.

"THE DIP OF DEATH" (Edison).
So styled from the spiral dip shown in the film and which resulted in Raiph Johnstone, Arch Hoxsey and Jacques Saure being dashed to death. Affred Le Blanc and Waiter Brookins were severely injured in the same way. This picture also shows scenes of the big bailing were sand the different teams taking part. The case and the different teams taking part. The company at St. Jouint team by the Edison the Aero cub of that city. Brookins in first shown dowing the spiral dip. The Johnstone does the "Dutch roll," the dip and the ocean wave and one is given a fine view of the aviantees of the spiral dip. The Johnstone for the came was and the steps from his machine and is congratulated by the Edison man for having given such a fine exhibition before the camers. The pictures of Hoxsey are plain and were taken within thirty days prior to his death.

"HIS LAST PARADE." (Lubin.)
In "His Last Parade" Lubin has turned out
a subject that makes a legitimate appeal to
patriolic instincts. Withal there is a little
pathetic story and there were several tear
dimmed eyes in the

"A MIX IN MASKS." (Lubin.)
Daughter and sweetheart go to a masked reception, father and mother duplicate the costumes. A mixup of the two couples occurs. The picturing is fair but no comedy in evidence. FRED.

"ROMONA'S FATHER." (Selig.)
A well pictured subject with the scene laid in Southern California. A Yankee tar become raised up in the Spanish colony and not being versed in the Spanish customs is led into all sorters of the spanish customs is led into all sorters to the spanish customs in the law well when he takes will title Mexican Indian girl for a wife and settles down neath the golden sun and swaying paims. The subject holds the interest.

the interest.

"A WESTERN NIGHT." (Edison.)
An amusing film which shows the fear of an eastern girl who has to stay over night in a small western town and is assigned a room next to that of a noisy cowboy. The idea is likely, well acted and well cameraed. The cowboy character is typically true and the actor deserves mention for his splendid work.

MARK.

"THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK CITY." (Edison.)
The fire laddles of New York are not given justice in this picture although the views of the fire boats in action form the most interesting feature. The fire fighters are shown in their usual routine of using scaling ladders, life ropes and nets, etc. The photography is good, but the picture might have been better arranged.

"AN INTRIGUE." (Pathe.)
Nothing pleasing about this but the coloring. The story palls and the ending is far from pleasing. It is a shame that such fine photography and tinting should be wasted upon such a poor theme. A woman victim of hapless circumstances is ruthlessly killed. Foreign dignitaries do many things unbecoming their rank and file.

MARK.

their rank and file.

"THE FUNERAL OD COUNT TOLSTOI."
(Pathe.)

The house where the body of the famous Tolstoi lay in state is shown. Outside the unpretentious dwelling, the people are seen going to and fro. Nowhere is there any signs of police surveillance. One secures an excellent view of the dead count's face which has been enlarged by the camera, showing a peaceful expression. Massive floral tributes are borne aloft. The coffin, the palibearers and mourners are shown within close range of the camera. There doesn't seem to be much order from the way the crowd surges around the funeral cortege. The last scene is the newly due grave in the middle of the forest, where the remains were interred in accordance with

DOESN'T HAVE TO PAY.

Chicago, Jan. 12.

The Selig Polyscope Co. does not owe the Chicago Film Exchange a solitary cent according to the decision of Judge Turnbough in the Municipal Court in the case brought by the latter against the former to recover \$1,-600, the amount claimed as rebates on the Gans-Nelson fight film taken by the Selig company for the plaintiff.

Selig contended the contract was a special one that called for special ser-

OBITUARY.

Geo. W. Walker, formerly of Williams & Walker, died Jan, 6 in a sanitarium. Death resulted from pare-Williams and Walker were a colored act from the west, coming to New York some years ago and appearing at Proctor's 23d Street, afterwards playing a run of several weeks at Koster & Bial's, where they first gained renown as entertainers.

Elmer Lissenden died Dec. 23 at his home, 3106 North 24th street, Tacoma, Wash. A widow, Jennie E. Lissenden, survives.

Frank Johnson, comedian, formerly of Johnson and Lewis, died at his home in New York City, Jan. 10, of tuberculosis. A widow and one child

Elvia Croix was found dead in bed by her husband, Henry Croix, Wednesday morning at their apartment, 157 West 98th street, New York. The couple had been booked to play at St. John's next week by Harvey Watkins, and were to have left the city Thursday. The deceased before her present marriage was the wife of Tom Seabrooke.

Mrs. Bessie Kirby, aged 35 years, professionally known as Mrs. Wrenn, died at her home in Houston. though in poor health for a long time, her death came suddenly. Mrs. Kirby and husband performed on the stage as The Two Wrenns.

Kalkratus, of Kalkratus and Robinson, a juggler and hoop roller, died of pneumonia in Cleveland, Dec. 28, and was buried in that city last Saturday. His wife, Alecia Robinson, an acrobatic dancer, was in Chicago visiting friends, and was called to Cleveland upon notice of her husbands death.

the dying wish of the Count. Heavy garments indicate that the weather was decidedly winterish. The camera work is excellent.

MARK.

"THE TWO PATHS." (Biograph.)
A horrible picture suggestively told. It is a mystery why the censors did not "throw the hooks" into it right off the reci. It is another poor attempt to show why women sin. The picture jars and nauweates.

MARK.

"LOVE UNDER DIFFICULTIES." (Pathe.)
Two young people make love under all kinds
of difficulties, but as love generally finds a
way, they elope and are forgiven by their
parents. The girl is pretty and girlish in a
cute, unaffected way. The photography is
immense and the scenery all that could he desired. Even the interior scenes show solid
furniture, something elegant and withat a
proper arrangement for people supposed to be
living in the lap of luxury. The scene of the
lovers on the wall where they kiss through an
old string trick is capitally worked up.

MARK. 'LOVE UNDER DIFFICULTIES" (Pathe)

Thermos.
Air Experiments.
16 Mins.; Full Stage.
Gane's Manhattan.

Thermos is no hot air merchant though he experiments with heated articles during his act. He is more of a cold air artist than anything eise. Many in his audience believe that a goodly use of chemicals accounted for much of the success of his demonstration. Thermos keeps up a running fire of expianations which grows monotonous but seems essentially important in telling how the articles are solidified. He freezes rubber, quicksilver, cranberries, a piece of raw steak and finally gets a bag of "concentrated snow" from a thermostat. which he rolls into smail balls and tosses into the audience. Thermos talks and goes through his feats as though he perfectly understood what he was doing. Thermos is entitled to attention for the way he works. His talk is nothing more than a chemicai iaboratory lecture. Mark.

Victor. Ventriloquist. 19 Mins.; One, Union Square.

This young ventriioquist uses one mechanical figure, featuring singing, and working in the telephone, smoking and drinking "bits." Victor has excellent mastery of the voice. needs an eagle eye to detect any lip movement when he's singing. Victor walks through the audience, singing "Put On Your Old Grey Bonnet," and gives the audience a chance to inspect his voice deception at close range. He carries the singing too far and could make a better impression by curtailing some of it. More comedy could be secured with the telephone as the voice imitation at the other end is capitally done. Victor shows a tendency to work listlessiy, which detracts. He made a substantial hit at the Union Square. Mark

Wheeler and Harcourt. Songs and Talk. 15 Mins.; One.

Two girls that do well on "small time," incidentally, that is as far as they will reach with the present offering. One is a rather clever eccentric comedienne and proved it in a stump speech on Woman's Suffrage. The other sings fairly well and makes a pleasing appearance as a boy.

Fred.

NO CONSOLIDATION.

Alexander Pantages has informed his New York representative, Louis Pincus, that under no circumstances will he consolidate with Sullivan-Considine.

Mr. Pincus gave out the statement to remove any impression that the proposed Pantages-Considine scheme to cover the western territory with a ten-cent chain of houses would also include the larger circuits of the same managers in any sort of an agreement.

Tudor Cameron will continue his "On and Off" act with Count De Butz, replacing Bonnie Gayior.

PALLADIUM, LONDON.

London, Jan. 1.

The new Palladium opened Dec .26, when both the matines and night shows were given to capacity audiences.

The house is a fine looking structure. The lighting in the auditorium especially is the best feature. It cannot be judged just yet as to what kind of audiences the management will patronize the big new hall. The crowds Monday and Tuesday were holiday pleasure seekers. The proper hind of shows looks now as a hard problem for the management to work out. The red-nosed comic is going to have a time of it at this hall by the efforts of two of the best in this line Monday evening.

While there is unstinted praise for the management for the fine hall turned out, the first bill provided may not have been anyone's fault in particular, due to scarcity of attractions, but it was not a big house bill.

The seats in the orchestra stalls are far from comfortable. This was a much discussed subject in the stalls. The haif has a full drinking license, and has taken advantage of it by showing some very fine looking bars with fine ante-rooms.

The big hall is almost certain to be successful, though there is a big "if" in the same prophecy. The Paliadium must have acts to suit a big hall, and unless the Gibbons management intends turning it into a Holborn Empire and run two-a-night, they will have to piay programs that will interest

Topsey Sinden is a dancer, believed by many to be England's most graceful stage lady. Perhaps she is, but at the Palladium someone with a bright idea surrounded her with Haiey's juveniles, who for the most part, stood on the stage and watched her dance. The piece was calied "Yuiettde Revels." It wasn't. Monday evening a guess would place the number of peopie who walked out at around forty (downstairs). The piece was on rather late, though. That is one thing that will not help the hail along.

Then there was an opening act, Stacey and Williams, who do a decent patter and dancing turn, but it is one of those in fashion before they had piush on the orchestra seats. The act itself may not be old, but others like it are. They use the stage-handwalking-across-with-the-beer, and they follow. Very much out of place, really.

The most striking incident of the first evening was the way Elia Retford got over in the place before Martin Harvey, the headliner. It was due to the liveliness of the soubret as compared with the quiet material gone before. Elia was called many times before the audience would allow the curtain to go up for Harvey's sketch. The feature didn't appear very enthusiastic over the vaudeviile engagement, his acting was indifferent. "The Conspirators," which was played was one Harvey used as a curtain raiser some time ago. It is fuil of interest, but gives the actor iitfie chance.

Deceima Moore appeared in a piece she played at the Holborn Empire a

PLAZA.

(Estimated Cost of Show, \$4,445.)

With the going exceedingly slow at the Monday night show at the Plaza, the top honors of the evening went to three of the turns out of the sixteen given. The program had been entirely changed about from the afternoon performance.

If the matinee dragged any more than the rearranged night show, it must have been an awful affair. It was an hour and a quarter after the show had started before anyone created a ripple with those in front. The first to do this was Harry Mayo, moved up from next to closing to "No. 7." Ed. Blondell and Co., in "The Lost Boy," next, were also moved up from the second haif to the early portion, and the first to bring a laugh.

Alva York, the iittie English singing comedienne, sent over three numbers in rattling good shape. She has eliminated her "blue" matter, a character bit for ciosing, about "The Two Twins," was repeatedly encored. She was followed by Honey Johnson, colored, who managed to pass through.

Closing the first part came William J. Kelly and Co. in "The Sacrifice." The actor is evidently a strong favorite with the Plaza crowd for he received a hearty reception and filled the star spot of the bill in delightful manner.

In the second part came Adeie Ritchie. As a "single" working with an accompanist, she ranks. Her repertoire of five numbers is well chosen. Miss Ritchie captured her audience immediately and clinched her hold with the opening song, "Winter." This was followed by "On Mobile Bay," also scoring. For the close she sang "Silver Bell," after which she stopped the show. The audience was not satisfied until she did three additional choruses of "Winter" for an encore.

Following Miss Ritchie came another solid hit in the Boston Fadettes. The descriptive selection entitled "The Musicians' Strike" earned laughter with the comedy effects although it seemed slightly iong for vaudeville. Jack Ark, the diabolo expert, closed the show, holding the audience in.

Herbert Deveau opened the second half.

The first hour of the show was devoted to Howard Dotson, ciay modeler; ili song; The Varadays, dances; Von Hoff, mimic, and Biake's Circus. Four Jones (New Acts). Fred.

few weeks ago, called "A Black Mark," received fairly well. The Frank L. Gregory Troupe managed to get over a hit. The troupe have introduced a new hoop-roiling trick that is very effective.

George Gilbey and Harry Ford, both comic singers, seemed out of place at the Pailadium.

Neilie Wailace secured a good share of iaughs through her song about a hobbie skirt, in very eccentric makeup.

Ella Shields, Monday night didn't have a chance, following Topsey Sinden way down late. "The March Hares," in a rather early position, as usual pleased. "The Dankmar-Schiller Troupe closed the show.

FIFTH AVE.

(Estimated Cost of Show, \$3,250.)

A regular show at the Fifth Ave. this week. The entire program ran through in the proper order without a single change. It may be that someone at the Fifth Ave. has been looking over "Ideal Bills" sent in from Ashtabula and Akron, and is getting ideas from them. Again the value of good speciaities in the early portion must be dwelt upon, for the general good of the program. Starting fast the show gets momentum as it traveis and finishes as the best program seen at the Fifth Ave, this season.

Max Rogers and C. William Kolb, with a company and a production head the bill and made good (New Acts). Pauline Perry and Co., aiso from other fields with a production, were carried along by the land-slide (New Acts).

Taylor, Kranz and White were up against the toughest proposition of the evening. Following the thirtytwo minutes of comedy put over by the Rogers-Koib outfit, the boys looked to be in a bad box. Many were on their feet when the trio anneared, but those who left the seats waited at the rear rail to hear them through. There is some sense to these three boys. They are natural entertainers, and it isn't a "singie"; it's a three-act. They work all the time and together, . Besides the good singing voices and the happy spirit, there is personality and some first rate comedy.

Ray Cox was greeted royally. There were yells for "Baseball" at the finish, not from the ushers ("Don't Sing the Chorus") but from the audience. Very wisely Miss Cox thanked the audience and begged off. An automobile bit on the style of the baseball thing is very well done and should work into a good successor to Miss Cox's former success.

Will H. Fox gave the show some boosting along in the early section. Will was on "No. 2," but has no complaint. The house was all in when he started, and could not have hoped to do better in any other position. It is now mostly comedy with "Nature's Little Gentleman" and a good move. The plano has been overworked of late. Fox is using it more because he has become identified with it than for anything else.

Mr. and Mrs. Gardner Crane foilowed Fox and kept the laughs a-going at the merry clip. The sketch is playing better than when first seen and was a yell from Mrs. Crane's appearance to the finish. Several enthusiastic curtains greeted the players' efforts.

Hoey and Lee with the "policeman" specialty followed and made the third comedy act in the row. The boys did very well, aithough there seems to be a leaning towards going after things a bit too strenuously. Yelling doesn't make the jokes funnier, and becomes a little nerve-racking after a time. The parodics went well and the boys did not force them.

Sansone and Delila put plenty of life and dash into their novelty athletic work and opened the show to a screaming start. The Lorch family put in excellent licks on the other end.

Dash.

AMERICAN.

imated Cost of Show, \$3,800.) vas distinctly a poor show at the ican Monday. There was so much l time stuff" in the first half hat section was little better than le. A couple of the acts shown the first half at the matinee well have been iost between tlme and the night show. Pereven more than two. About along came an illustrated singer rther indent the Impression that first part was the limit. That irl had an excellent new song to was the only thing that saved her nally.

st before, in the "No. 5" spot, Mason and Bart there, it looked hough the show would really. The comedy horizontal bar le made a very big, hit, a real ig one that kept them bowing on tage until they grew nervous over many uprisings of the curtain. Swing the other four turns, Manda Bart looked like a \$3,000 liner that had the goods.

was laid out for the program to up from there, but after the iil.

18, the Constantine Sisters came g and put the show back just re it had been before. Admitting the orchestra at the American was better than the early acts, and the musicians tangled up everyincluding the Sisters, the coses these girls wore were enough hemselves to discredit the act.

rosini with his accordeon secured ity of applause, and Lamb's Manns, in a very much better miniasistage setting, and some other thening up of the turn, landed y well, with Amelia Summerville w Acts) next, the first part closwith the crack acrobatics of the ir Bards. Then one realized how sfully little comedy had been shown ong eleven turns making up the t division.

The Bards have one great new trick, iying hand-to-hand stand, the filer ching and holding with one hand y. The double flying pass to handshands stand at the finish went very;, though Ed Bard's trick, the long to a hand-stand, taken backwards it were, brought a wave of apuse that drowned all other sounds the evening. They will have to go me, and yet go some more to beat e Four Bards. Those boys are me acrobats and you can emphasize e "some" just as strong as you passe.

Fifteen actual acts were on the ogram instead of the "22" billed. ter intermission the weight of the ll appeared in George Lashwood and ontgomery and Moore. Lashwood eld the stage for 49 minutes, just out 19 minutes too long, making it ill harder for M and M, who were wn next to closing, entering the age at 10:50. Their "new act" has ie good thing in it, the "impersonaon" of Sam Mayo singing "Ha, Ha, One could hardly blame Mr. ontgomery for impersonating him ter hearing the number. Miss oore wore three new gowns, which e Customs officers held up last week. the Customs have any other mateal from the other side, Montgomery id Moore had better release it at

once. They need to fix up their act, and lose that "Carlbou" opening, along with Billy's second English attempt and also the verse which sounds so much like Eva Tanguay.

Lashwood has several new songs, still plugging "Twillght," but not as violently and more artistically than Victoria does with "Don't Sing The Chorus." The audience really wanted Mr. Lashwood to remain just as long as he did. The Englishman was a great solid hit, without a shadow of a doubt, going as big as Harry Lauder ever did in this theatre. The house was top heavy, capacity upstairs all over, but quite light in the orchestra.

There are two songs Mr. Lashwood had better throw away for the Morris Circuit. One is "Patrick J. O'Hare," done ever so much better with same houses by Clark and Hamilton, who added a dance to it, and "Fol de rol," depending upon spicy verses, but which he should not countenance for the melody must be older than vaudeville. As for melodies, one of Lashwood's best of the new songs ("Sailor" number) is set to the air of Chevaller's "Old Dutch." As Lashwood sings this "Sailor" song it becomes a fine piece of work. His "Cabble" number is a trifle too sad, but stands up by contrast, and is well liked.

Frank Hartley had a hard position for his quiet straight juggling turn, both for himself and for the good of the show at the late hour. The boy closed very strong. After Montgomery and Moore, Matthews and Rees (New Acts) appeared.

Of the acts not mentioned, none deserve it excepting Edith Leroy. This English girl has appearance, some personality, sings two songs and with a carefully selected repertoire of numbers might be tried out in a better position than given her. Sime.

UNION SQUARE.

In point of diversity, the Union Square bill the first half of the week had everything from a trained bear to a talking "dummy." From the way the regulars applauded Monday night the show was of satisfying proportions.

An interesting ten-minute Illustrated lecture on Switzerland was also appreciated. There was no illustrated song and the pictures were for the most part entertaining.

Roberti's Animals offered considerable amusement. First a bear was put through several tricks, and then four dogs displayed canine intelligence, the ladder climbing dog and the balancing terrier receiving the most applause. A baboon and a monkey came in for their share of attention.

"The Undertow" teils a story that had a familiar ring to the Fourteenth street habitues. Its moral was accepted with curtain calls. The acting was strong enough to make the theme a convincing one. While there are some defects the playlet should enjoy prosperity over the "small time."

The Juggiing Barretts scored with hat juggiing, the boomerang finish being decidedly novel.

Victor (New Acts). Mark.

Josephine Davis has left "Katy Did."

HAMMERSTEIN'S.

(Estimated Cost of Show, \$3,540.)

The second half of the bill at Hammerstein's Victoria this week is a regular show. The first section never recovers from the shock of the opening. Lightning Hopper was "No. 1" and Saona "No. 2."

When Wille started his "Three-Ring" flop at the Manhattan he had three of the acts on this week's bill at the Victoria "circused" among the troupes appearing all together. The third turn is the Five Juggiing Jewels, a club juggling act by girls, closing the Victoria bill. Being girls held some of the house. It might have made a good opening turn.

Devlin and Ellwood caught it good and plenty in the "No. 3" spot. Not alone they had to follow the slow start the bill received with the two quiet acts at the commencement, but there was a wait from the full stage used by Saona until their set could be made. The laughs didn't commence to arrive until nearly the finish of their neatly entertaining sketch, made good enough by the comeliness of Miss Ellwood alone.

Harry Fox and the Millershlp Slsters, next, stirred things up some, but couldn't overcome ail the depression, nor could Ward and Curran, ending the first half. Each did well enough in a way, but nothing to what they would have brought with a live audience in front. It was a good sized house Tuesday evening.

The intermission cleared up the gloom somewhat, with The Dancing Dennos right after to excite Interest. Four boys and two girls, who are probably wrongly billed as "Brothers and Sisters," dance very well, though there isn't the class appearance to the turn it needs must have. The two girls suffered through the Miliership Sisters having first performed "double dancing," but the act secured good applause. It's a "copy" of the Six American Dancers.

Irene Franklin, second after intermission, remained on the stage thirty minutes, singing six songs, two new. One was a recitation called "The \$2 Show," very good to the initiated but too technicai perhaps for any regular audience. Some got it however. Miss Franklin has a peach in "The Chambermaid" one of the new. holds a couple of lines that are screams. The opening number is too severely straight for her, though she looked pretty in the dressy gowns. "Red Head" was demanded to close as an encore. Burt Green "kidded" the gallery on the plano, turning off some laughable work. He has eschewed all "classical stuff," playing a couple of musical comedy melodies. He should not stop announcing, and Burt will be there strong.

Nat Wilis knocked the house a twister, before he was on the stage ten seconds. He pulled a "gag" written on the spur of the moment by Vince Bryan Monday afternoon, apropos of Miss Franklin's "Chambermaid" song, that will go down into history. The house was in hysterics. His talk on England, and the steamer is new and good, while he closed strong with three parodies, all up to date, the two best being "I Love It" and "Every Little Movement." Nat remained in sight

COLONIAL

(Estimated Cost of Show, \$4,525.)

While there aren't any great big names at the Colonial this week, the show is one that makes good from every standpoint and is as smooth a playing vaudeville bill as has been seen in New York for some time. Even though the female element in the form of a "single" woman was not in the bill, no one could say she was missed.

In the opening position the Namba Troupe of Japs held forth and with the house practically all in, put over a smashing hit for so early a position. All of the tricks struck a responsive chord. Clay Smith and the Meinotte Twins with their pleasing little singing, dancing and patter offering were "No. 2," getting over nicely. The third spot was devoted to the Seldoms in their poses, heartily applauded. A trinity of noveity was present in this trio of acts.

Arthur Deagon in his own inimitable manner scored so heavily that he stopped the show for several minutes and was forced to a speech which he delivered in a comedy vein. He was followed by Charles Grapewin and Anna Chance in "The Awakening of Mr. Pipp," closing the first part. The act is as laughable as ever.

With the intermission came an act not programed. As an advance courier of the engagement of Adeline Genee at the house next week, the orchestra is offering the selection of musical numbrs from "The Bachelor Belles." In leading the orchestra, Julius Lenzberg demonstrated that Maurice Leyy and a number of other eccentric leaders will have to look to their honors, Heartily applauded at the conclusion, he had to respond with an encore.

Opening the second part found Trovata, the violinist. After twenty-three minutes with his repertoire of classical and popular melodies, he held the show until finishing an encore of four additional minutes. In the next position John B. Hymer and Co. delivered "Tom Walker on Mars." The comedy has been strengthened since last week and the act is now running in much better shape.

Next to closing Mike Bernard and Wille Weston filled in with the usual result. The boys assure the audience in a legitimate fashion that they are worthy.

As the closer M. Golden and his troupe of Russian Dancers filled in most pleasingly. This act is easily worth two of the "classical" Russian terpsichorcan offerings, that is as far as vaudeville is concerned. The Colonial regulars seemed to think so, judging from the manner in which they remained seated.

Fred.

sixteen minutes. He wouldn't stretch

This Harry Fox boy has a lot in him. He should be out of vaudeville. It will do him no good. He needs a production. Harry is now announcing Eddie Leonard as the popularizer of "Ida," but in his other work suggests Jim Morton, Al Stinson (passed away) and George Fuller Golden. Fox can put it over by himself. He has an original method of "kidding" his work. Fox was and is a clever light comedian. The Millership girls look well and play nicely to him. Sime.

LONDON BELLES.

"The London Belles" is on a continual wave between good and poor. At no time does it really reach the very good standard and at no time does it ever really strike the very poor class.

It has an auspicious start from the well laid out interior set of the first act and from the eighteen or twenty girls and six men seen at the opening, making the company look like a big one.

A two-act piece called "The Girl from Sherry's" is given as the reason for the show and the many things that go with it.

Sam Lewis and Leo Bennett are responsible for the affair. No credit is due them, for the book and lyrics are the weakest portion of the entertainment. If it weren't for the interpolated comedy the show would have had a sad finish. The poor book drove a really clever comedian to doing very old "bits." The comedy is alright, the show boasts a first rate comedian, one of the few who can almost carry a show on his own. Almost, though isn't quite enough. When that comedian is off the stage the show seems to slide sldeways. Another comedian or at least another source from which comedy may be derived is needed. It would take away the idea of a oneman-show and also double the comedlam's value.

The numbers for the most part are very good. They have been well staged and the girls, a fair looking collection, have a desire to work. Several numbers attracted particular attention.

"Moonbeam Sue" lead by Sam Bennett came in for several encores, due in a large measure to the dancing of Mr. Bennett. "Monterey," a cowboy arrangement, also caught on and the girls in pretty short skirts of the cow fashlon did a whole lot for it. "The Red, Red Rose of Spain" made a corking opening for the second act. "Burlesque Queen" with Rose Sydell at the head was repeatedly encored Miss Sydell and Johnnie Weber taking the deserved credit. "Since Miss Salome Came to Town" and a soap bubble number were two others that came away winners. The staging shows something a blt different than the usual burlesque three-step routlne. The dressing is varied and costly enough, although several of the costumes show hard wear.

In principals the company is fairly well off, although like most of the other shows that have been seen this season a good lively dancing soubret is most needed. There are several women principals but they have little to do, and none could be called a soubret.

Miss Sydell is the big feature. She doesn't appear until the second act and then for no great length of time, but manages to put over the song hit of the show on her entrance and during the remainder of the time squeezes in three very handsome costumes that would make a bank president's quarterly salary quite ill, not even mentioning the plumes that adorned one of her hats. Miss Sydell's hair is a few shades lighter this season and it is very becoming.

Johnny Weber is the real head of Major (New Acts).

the show. Johnny is in evidence most of the time and it is well he is. He however is doing the show more good than the show is doing him. Playing a German through both pleces Weber makes the character genulnely funny without going outside for any horse play of any sort. Wth the proper people around him Weber should be a wonder. He is handicapped by a poor straight man at present. The program gives him no name and aside from having a good appearance he doesn't really matter.

Dave Rose as a foolish belihop does the next best to Weber. Rose needs just a bit of repression. But for this he gives a first rate character portrayal that is funny.

There is a tramp amongst the principals who also manages to raise above the surface a few times. According to program predictions it is Dewey Campbell but programs in burlesque houses are not always reliable. At any rate if it is Dewey he should he allowed further scope in all directions. Dewey has the right idea and the show could stand as much comedy as he can supply. Sam Bennett plays small roles without getting in very deep.

Loretta Fawn handles as much as any of the women, which is saying nothing. Loretta sings a couple of songs and manages to bring them to the front in good style. She is good looking and dresses in good style and taste making several changes. Monta Parker does litle but play her role. She is all the part requires.

Virgie Royden appears as though she might be able to do something if allowed. Virgie makes the most of a couple of opportunities and with a little coaxing should develop into the right sort of a soubret. Pretty girl, Virgie. Susle Fisher sang a couple of songs to good effect but did not figure prominently.

Three vaudeville turns separated the two acts. O'Brlen and Rose are "The Italian and the Tout." The title explains the act. Millard Bros. who are gradually getting away from the trick riding going in for comedy more strongly fared very well. W. S. Campbell and Johnny Weber with the chorus as models did the old "Pa Pa" act and it caught roars.

"The London Belles" as a whole is an interesting show. It would take but very little fixing to place it far above the average. Dash.

GANE'S MANHATTAN.

Another good show at Gane's Manhattan theatre this week. Business was unusually large, the increase perhaps being due to the display of the special aviation film.

Willie Quirk whistled and imitated pleasingly.

The Garrays, who have just hit New York from the west, offer a diversified juggling act. The woman does some neat work on a slack wire, while the man attends to the comedy end throughout.

The Clark Brothers, with their typical "wop" types, used their dialect to good advantage.

The Great Thermos and May and Major (New Acts). Mark.

BEHMAN SHOW.

"The Behman Show" is practically the same entertainment offered by the organization last season although there have been changes in the cast. The piece is a two-act musical farce by Lon Hascall and Ballard McDonald with music by Leo Edwards. The show runs pretty much to production. It is an extreme pleasure to see good burlesque comedy surrounded by pretty stage settings, clean, well fitting styllsh gowns and girls who have been instructed and know what is expected of them.

The opening chorus with twenty girls on the stage gives a good impression from the start. It is maintrace throughout the entire performance. Several of the numbers are very petty and all are well put on and equally well carried out. There are not enough numbers in the two acts. The second act especially suffers through this.

There is one period in the second act where the orchestra has a full half hour rest. It is a poor place to allow the show to sag but it does at this point. The "business" is good, but there is too much of it at one time.

The comedy is well taken care of, without character comedians of the usual Dutch. Irish and Hebrew kind.

The show boasts but one comedian. He and the "straight" man are responsible for all the fun making. It is well taken care of.

In many places the comedy gets to light clean stuff that does not need make up of any sort, but requires a comedian to handle it.

The "Aeroplane" at the finale of the first act, with a girl in it shoots from the left side of the stage, making a semi-circle over the audience, turning and going back the same way. It is a very good effect very well worked and makes a first class finish for the open-"The Rose" song in the ing perlod. second act, is quite the prettlest number burlesque has offered. The effect is simple and there is no scenic embellishments and yet it reaches further than all the novelty effect ever invented. Earl Flynn and Eileen Sheridan did a lot for this number.

Miss Sheridan and Will J. Kennedy at: the two important new comers. The former takes Mollle Williams place, and the latter fills the chief comedy role, replacing Jos. Barton. Miss Sherldan does very well in a role that was built more for an ingenue than for a soubret, and Miss Sheridan is an ingenue. She has many numbers to lead, a great chance with dlalog and also opportunity to display wardrobe. Eileen does not fall down in any of the departments. Her voice is light and once in a while grows screechy, but she holds it well in check. Her good looks and frlendly smile more than make up for the volce. She wears several pretty gowns but her wardrobe could hardly be called claborate. However, would that every woman principal in burlesque could boast of as good a one.

Mr. Kennedy has tackled a big task. The only comedy prop in a burlesque show is not the softest snap in the world. It is seldom that one man can get away with it. Kennedy can, although credit must not be taken

from Lon Hascall, who plays "straight." Without Hascall, Kennedy could not do the job. Kennedy ls a sort of rube constable, although he does not depend in any measure upon the character. He has a great idea of burlesque and it is this that makes him funny. His efforts to emulate the fast talking Hascall and get off the up-to-date slang are particularly amusing.

The manipulating of the hat also caught a laugh everytime the comedian used it. Kennedy, aside from using "Hell" a couple of times, is absolutely clean and ranks with burlesque's best comedians.

Mr. Hascall can not receive enough credit for the capital work he is doing with the show and for the show. Hascall is a whole cast in himself. His easy, smooth delivery and enunciation are delightful and he reels off the slang just as well. Lon is some little actor on his own and several of his speeches were applauded simply for the force they carried.

George R. Slegman did very well. He helped to make the cast one of the best from an acting standpoint that has been collected for a Wheel organization. Victor Casmore was handed a pretty tough role in that of the Spaniard, but was equal to it and gave an excellent performance. The only mistake is when Victor sings. He is not there with the pipes. The number should stay and Victor should stay in it, but someone else should sing it.

Lillian Herndon in a straight role was all that was necessary. She had much to do and did it extremely well with out ever getting mixed up in the real burlesque. Several pretty gowns attracted attention. Anita Julius figured in a small way.

At the Columbia a five act olio was carried, two acts being added. Will Rogers and Co (New Acts) (carried with the show), followed.

Lon Hascall and Co., followed playing "Pals." A dandy little sketch for the buriesque houses. Hascall has the right idea about it, too. He trimmed the sketch to get the most comedy from it. Hascall, Kennedy, Seigman, and Miss Herndon all did good work. The fight at the finish brought the house out of their seats.

Flynn and Nellie McLaughlin (New Acts).

Miss Sheridan sang three songs in the olio, one while seated at the plano. The specialty is not strong but the house showed approval. Sydney Deane and Co. (added) closed the vaudeville part.

"The Behman Show" makes all around good entertainment. There are a few spots where a remedy might be applied but the show pleased the Columbia crowd as it will in any other house where it plays.

Dosh.

Joe Schenck, Nick Schenck, Joe Stein and Dave Bernstein, all important executives of the Loew Consolidated Enterprises, gave a live "beefsteak" at Reisenweber's Wednesday to many invited guests. When the personal entertaining matter is touched upon, pass it along to the "small time" boys. They have it all over the big bugs for being sociable and good fellows among themselves.

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MAJESTIC (Lyman B. Glover, mgr.; agent. Orpheum Circuit).—By 4:30 Monday afternoon a large audience had seen the last of a fast moving, diversified and immensely entertaining week and the bouse has presented and moving, the best this house has presented and moving, diversified and immensely entertaining week and held the house almost intact with litusions and bits of legerdemain which brought strong evidence of appreciation. Bedini and Guics opened the show, finishing their acrobats at 1:45. Two songs and an imitation number served to introduce Mary Ann Brown into the good graces of the early arrivals. This evidently gifted girl inside, with a turn differently developed, would be a good act. Two songs of paipable English construction precede imitations of Fay Templeton, Vesta Victoria and Geo. M. Cohan. Hence Tot Wrongs are the strong of the st

comedy and sang their way to a sturdy encore which nearly died on their hands through a poor choics of material.

AMERICAN (Wm. Morris, Inc., mgrs.; agent direct).—Although several big names adorn the Music Hall program this week very little entertainment is offered in the three long hours of show. The first real applause didn't sound until the indicator flashed Ross and Fenton's name away down in the second section. "Just Like a Woman" is the sketch. If the second section is the second section will be seen the second section. "Just Like a Woman" is the sketch. Johns Ford to be the real class of the bill. Johns Ford to be the real class of the bill. Johns Ford to be the real class of the bill. Johns Ford to be the real class of the bill. Johns Ford to be the real class of the bill and the second what is probably supposed to be a comedy sketch. Albini, in his second week, only offered half his regular routine, having shipped the best part of his illusions to New York. Albini fell behind his mark of last week, but made good, nevertheless. Al Fields working "single" scored one of the evening's hits with a monog that was post to the second the west light sult and opera hat were arcset but Fields might go in for a better routine. However, the comedian went over with flying honors though it seems he doesn't take the single thing serious. Little Alright and wife opened with some fairly good balancing and scored. The American flag is well worked at the close and could just as well be eliminated. Tyler and Burton made a good impression with their roller skates, after which Rocco Vocco, a local music plurger, put over two songs without slides. Allen and Lea, opening the second part, sang two parodies, a small hit. Degins where his competitors atop. Jose and Willie Barrows with some eongs and dances went well. "Pewit'." Interested. The Free-setters Quarter didn't show, three unannounced banjoists substituting. Fields and Coco closed with some corking good strong work. Male Johnson, with her 'dummy, scored one of the early

an encore she gave a long-distance volce-throwing demonstration that makes a good closer. Miss Johnson can hold her own on any program. At the American she helped kill the monotony. The Four Norins closed the first section with their diving specialty. Too bad the Norins didn't reach America sooner. Their work surpasses everything in vaudeville in the diving line, although it could be presented to better advantage.

STAR AND GARTER (Wm. Beebe, mgr.)—
Under one of the ploneer titles in burlesque,
the "Rents-Santiey Show" of this season comes
through with a modern complement of scenery,
costuming and general embellishment for one
of the most consistent and humorous burseque books of the year. In the hands of
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Connors a close runner-up, the comedy element predominates throughout both haives of
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far the best outcome of the hurried search for deputies, as their work is skillful and adroitly accomplished.

FOLLY (John Fennessy, mgr.).—Miner's "Bohemians" don't stand up very well in midseason as representative of new-departure buriesque; too many better shows, in all particulars, have preceded it and only the fact that several poorer ones have been thrown in for comparison makes the Miner organization rank at all with what a buriesque show really might be. Andy Gardner, the unchanging comedian, the several power of the several poorer one thrown in for comparison makes the Miner organization rank at all with what a buriesque show really might be. Andy Gardner, the unchanging comedian, the comparison makes the several property of the comparison of the confines of his ability. Upon the Valmore slisters fails a goodly share of the work, a clothes changing, singing and dancing specialty, the leading of many of the numbers and the portrayal of parts which keeps them much in evidence, constituting their contributions throughout first half and buriesque. The best looking girl, in face and form, is Carrie Darks as frequently theories work to playing of the contribution of song. Bill Lawrence and Mark Thompson, singers and talkers: Hugh Bernard and Jack Dunham, and the Valmore girls furnish the other specialities and the men also carry roles in "The Belle of the Boarding School" and "Patty in Paris," which are also carry roles in "The Belle of the Boarding School" and "Patty in Paris," which are also carry roles in "The Belle of the Boarding School" and "Patty in Paris," which are also carry roles in "The Belle of the Boarding School" and "Patty in Paris," which dark stage thing may be agreed with as wisdom. The "pott" enters largely into servee a like

sent the "culled lady" in question, continuing the impersonation into "one" where the act ends with some pretty forceful physical contrions in "The Beautiful Rag." ida Nicolai has too little concern for her task albeit she ist overly well supplied with roles in either piece; but she did not seem to be working, ast Monday night, with her accustomed vigor. Usually Ida is as industrious as a beaver.

WALT.

KEDZIE (W. B. Malcolm, mgr.; agent, W. V. A.)—That cold waves have no effect upon denisans of Kedsie entertainment was proven when this house was well filled for the last show on one of last week's coldest evenlings. Pictures open and close these bills, the introductory film being "The Death and Resurrection of Lazarus." Musical Director Chas. J. Smith asserted either has irreverence or his thoughtlessness by offering a mediey of popular the collection of Lazarus. The collection of the collect

for she is in constant action and evidence throughout the entire doings. WALT.

KEDZIE (Wm. Malcolm, mgr.; agent, W. V. A.).—Although well equipped with singing acts the bill for the last half of the last week as a arranged that each succeeding number surpassed its predecessor in point of quality until it reached perfection with Ernest Rackett and Clara Douglass who appeared next to last. Incidentally this clever pair walked off with the active of two and cell very that easily distinguished him from the conventional eccentric cemedian, while Miss Douglass, with some pretty costumes and an abundance of magnetism, makes a charming straight. Her opening song is new and could be delivered differently. However, after passing this point the pair dropped into their familiar routine and had their audience with them all the way. Rackett formerly featured his resemblance to Bob Fitzsimmons. This is unnecessary for his ability alone will carry him through without the impersonation, if it could be called such her could be active to the same of the classiest acts had been accounted the same of the classiest acts had been considered in a long time. Another pretty nifty turn at the Kedzie is the Belmontes, who opened the program with what can be safely called an original gymnastic act. The apparatus is bell-shaped, which in Itself is a novelty. The routine of work is entirely different from that of any similar offering while the centuming is a feature by itself.

woman although many pounds lighter than her partner seems to have all the heavy work to do. Opening the show they landed set this coakley, Hanvey and they landed set that the seems of the land of th

position passed through the yodeling of the man. The Alpha Troupe closed with a good comedy hoop act.

WILLARD (J. G. Burch, mgr.; agent, Frank Q. Doyle).—This house of consistently good bills maintained its record last week with two feature attractions—Adelaide Keime and Co. and May Howard and Co.—during the last last the first power of the Commended and the Oriole Trio, placed and the Commended and the Commended and the Oriole Trio, placed and the Commended and

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HAMLIN (Hopkinson Amusement Co., mgrs.)

Haded by "Paris by Night," the bill at the West Side house proved quite up to the standard for the latter half of last week. The French pantomime is being offered by a company evidently picked for the family houses. Mile. Corlo is featured and carries her part through well assisted by Marie Molasso, who proves to be a better spinner than dancer. The soldier who handles the comedy looks like the original. Closing a good show, "Paris by Night" held its own. Cody and the Merritt Sisters occupied the opening spot with a singing and dancing affair that will stand considerable improvement. The girls possible the capture of wardrove has acting and the capture of wardrove has acting and the capture of wardrove has acting and the capture of the c

George Holcomb, known previously as a band leader, has opened the Gayety, Ottawa, Ill., as a two-s-day vaudeville house booked through the W. V. M. A. The house seats 1,100 and has no opposition.

Between presenting his "melologue" in vaudeville and promoting prize fights, Chas E. Conway is a busy person. He has duu up a new light-weight for Ad Wolgast to go against if he can frame up a match. Lee Forane is the dark horse in Conway's stable and he is credited with having whipped three heavy-weights without turning a hair.

The Morris office has issued a "franchise" to C. G. Waldron, of the Apollo, a new theatre in Joliet, which will have a seating capacity of 1,600 and will play pretty strong bills. The same man is also erecting a 10-20 house at 79th and Haisted Streets, Chicago, which will also play Morris bookings. Jim Matthews did it.

Word comes from New York that the mother of the Four Hanlons, now playing the Orpheum time, died there Monday afternoon.

Maybelle Gage, after a prolonged illness, ex-sects to resume work in local vaudeville in he near future.

Ben Bernstein brings back from Broadway some new boosts for Von Tilser songs which he has been practicing there during the past six weeks.

Ed. Lang is sending act to 'Frisco for engagements at the Portola Cafe. Guess, Try and Guess, Ames and Corbett, Chas. Christie and Co. left here last week. After playing the Portola, Ames and Corbett go to Honolulu.

Adgle and her lions start a tour of the Pantages time Feb. 12. On the same date Lew Williams and Co. begin a contract over the same route.

Godfrey and Henderson are creating an Or pheum record for emergency work. They turned from Cincinnati, from filling in a appointment last Sunday, and immedia lett for Omaha to perform a like service

izzy Weingarten has booked his short-cast musical comedy company at the Bijou, Jack-sonville, Fla., for twelve weeks, starting im-mediately.

The Mabel, which has been playing dramatic stock for the past few weeks, returned to vaudeville last Monday with a bill placed through "The Association." "The Girl of the Golden West" was announced for stock production, but the matter of royalty is rumored to have interfered with the plan. Stock productions will be resumed shortly.

The Studebaker is dark this week, but re-opens Monday with Arnold Daly and Char-lotte Walker in "Homeward Bound."

Innes and Ryan have finished Rosalie Muck-enfuss' time and start the regular round of the Interstate Circuit next Monday at Nashville.

Marie Clark has returned from her tour of the Hedkins time. Barrett and Earl began a round of the Morris booked houses at the Linden this week with their new act. The Clark has a double beadliner ail this week in James J. Morton and Sophle Tucker. Al Fields will probably take himself and his new single into New York next week.

Dave Lewis will open in Racine, Wis., 22, as a star in "Never Lie to Your Wife." the Campbell B. Casad comedy which Fields and Lewis tried as co-stars last fail.

W. B. Russell, who has been traveling representative for Clas. E. Hodkins, has gone to Chattanooga, Tenn., where he will manage the new vaudeville house soon to be dedicated as a part of the Hodkins Circuit. The name of the theatre is to be selected through public contest.

Lew Shean, a brother of Al Shean, and Eugene Barnes, late of Barnes and Barron, have contracted to open on the Pantages Circuit Feb. 12.

Waiter S. Butterfield is in possession of his fitth Michigan vaudeville theatre through the purchase from D. J. Robeson of the Bijou. The house has been booked for some time as part of the Bijou Circuit of which Mr. Butterfield is general manager. There will be established a new system of supplying the Bijou theatres with attractions. Claud S. Humphrey, who represents Mr. Butterfield in the W. V. A. at Chicago, will book five act shows which are to tour intact over the Butterfield time, which comprises seven weeks in Michigan. It is probable that the same shows will continue through South Bend, Rockford and Madison, houses which Humphrey also books.

King Cole, the Cubs pitcher, who saved the locals from the disgrace of four straight defeats in the recent National Championship series, has decided that vaudeville will prove just as soft for him as it has for other kinghts of the leather. He will make his debut at the Kedsle, which is booked by Edde Hayman, of the Association, in a baseball skit which has been framed up especially to fit him—if he can be fitted.

The Majestic, Montgomery, has been bought up by the Interstate company which now has full control. The house was formerly owned by the Montgomery Heat & Light Co.

The new house building in Shreveport, La., and scheduled to open Feb. 6, will play the road show booked through the south by Paul Goudron. The shows are sent intact to several southern houses. Other houses being built in Waterloo, Ia., Sloux City, Ia., and Mason City, all due to open some time in February, will be booked through the Sullivanticus of the Chicago office. The Princess, Jonana and Chicago frice. The Princess, Jonana and Chicago frice. The Princess, Jonana City, Commencing this week.

Geo. L. Brown, manager of the Arch, having declined to pay back fees and commissions for acts booked through the W. V. A., has been refused further bookings and will be proceeded against by the Association's legal department.

Harry Bonnell is press agent for a bunch of "corporations" which promise to include, when everything is set, a department for anything in theatricals except a transfer line. Chas. Henderson, Leslie C. Langlois and Sam W. Seellg will divide responsibilities for all these things.

Hurtig & Seamon's Casino has entered the list of "split week" vaudeville houses so' numerous in the local field.

Windecker's Band, which summers with Gollmar show, has become a vaudeville "act" under Frank Q. Doyle's tutelage. They are at the Lyda the first half of next week. Geo. Hines, the manager, an old circus man himself, will see that they get the best there is to be had.

The Majestic stage will be equipped with a new complement of scenery by the end of the month to repiace the sets which have done service for some time.

The Williams-Thompson Co., which has been presenting old afterpieces in Chicago ever since Labor Day, will disband after next week. The two principals have been in partnership for nearly five years.

Fred Warren, of Warren and Blanchard, was divorced in the local courts last week. His wife was not a professional.

The electric sign on the new Blackstone, which was the largest announcement board on a local theatre, was blown to the ground by an extra gust of wind Sunday morning and it required the services of the fire department to gather up the pieces, scattered nearly a block in all directions.

Henry W. Savage has three winners in town just now: "The Great Name," at the Cort. "The Prince of Plisen," at the Carrick (succeeding the long run of "The Chocolate Solier") and "The Little Damosel," at the

The local theatrical managers promoted a benefit for the fund to endow the widows and families of firemen killed in the recent stock yards conflagration held at the Auditorium 13, matinee and night.

Deas, Reed and Deas are playing two weeks for Lou Goldberg, in Bloomington and Rock-ford, and then go east for an arranged open-ing.

Victor Moore, in "The Happiest Night of His Life," began last Sunday night at the Colonial, an indefinite stay. Geo. Lederer, of the producing firm of Frazee & Lederer, was here to make a speech when called upon. Junie McCree, one of the authors and also an actor in the cast, also spoke.

APOLLO (Robert Levy, mgr.; agent, Frank Q. Doyle)—"Christmas at Higgins," E. L. Barbour, Meinotte Lanole Trio, Hazel Selkirk, Gardner and Lawson. CRYSTAL (Frank Schaefer, mgr.; agent, Frank Q. Doyle).—May Howard and Co. Cromweil and Samse. The Austins, Deverne and Van, Glimore and Williams. WILSON (Jones, Linick & Schaefer, mgrs.; agent, Frank Q. Doyle).—Adelaide Keim and Co., Richard Bolke, presenting Crio; Apollo Quartette, Wesson, Walters and Wesson, Stanley Sextette.

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BIJOU DREAM (Sigmund Faller, mgr.; agent, Frank Q. Doyle).—The Armers, Larry Sutton, Rowe and Clinton, Billy Korschell, Yvonne Dorci's Models, Eleanore Kroll.

PREMIER (Chas. Schaefer, mgr.; agent, Frank Q. Doyle).—Perrin and Perrin, Eugenie Seguin, Leland Sisters, Floyd Rathbun, Ward and Hunt, Paul Morton, Marcella Marlon, Trix Mantell and Co. GEM (Chas. Schaefer, mgr.; agent, Frank Q. Doyle).—Le Pitre and Isell, Harry Gray, Ed. and Mae Woodward. White and Barlon, Maude Lyon, Le Vine and Jordan.

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JULIAN (J. G. Conderman, mgr.; agent, Wm. Morris, Inc.).—La Garcia, Glimore and La Tour, Glendower and Mannion, Nanson and Olsen, Coin's Dogs. Ted White.

OAK (Bert Goden, mgr.; agent, Wm. Morris, Inc.).—The Garcia, Signer, Morris, Inc.).—Sister and La Viene-der, Betty Matthews and Co., Lillian Levard, Brooks and Carlisle. Flying Banvards. Braham's Phantagraphs, Billy McRobie, Ed Fister and Dog, Telegraph Four; Lorraine McNeil.

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WIGWAM (Sam Harris, mgr.).—Nero Bros, wrestiers, opened the show fairly. Knight Bros. and Sawtelle did passably. Huntress, in a series of classical dances, got nothing for ordinary work. Rube Dickenson scored big individual hit. Pat Reiliy and Flo Wells, thoroughly speciated. Tom Kelly had them if the was and cleak duly appreciated. Tom Kelly had them if the was and cleak duly appreciated. To the stage deportment. More life and snap needed, esperially. The Lebmans, despite poor orchestral work, highly commended. Major Doyle put it over. Wilson Franklyn and Co., in "My Wife Won't Lett Me Go, "Isque offering, inughing hit of bill. Great American Four put over the singing; comedy not good. Mile. Henkleur's Troupe of Russian Poodles big hit. Realiy big time act.

Lotus Flores, known professionally as Lotus Moore, who, for the past few years has been with the James Post Co. was granted a di-vorce from Frank Flores on the grounds of detection. Mrs. Mary Post appeared as cor-roborating witness. There is one child.

The Richmond is slated to open Feb. 22.

Raymond Bone, formerly orchestra leader the American, is now occupying the posi-on of first violinist at the Orpheum.

Roberts and Roberts are playing a two weeks' engagement at the Portola-Louvre with the Newport, in Seattle, to follow.

Margaret Seely Baars, sister of Walter Hoff Seely, dicd at her home in Berkeley 3 after an iliness of nearly a year. Her tather, Coi. Uriah Seely, of Newark, N. J., was with her at the time of her death. Mrs. Baar's mother, Nancy Hoppy Seely, died in the East Sept. 15 last, but Mrs. Baar's liness made it impossible to tell her of the passing of her mother. Mrs. Baars leaves a busband and a daughter, eleven years old.

The Max Dili Musical Comedy Co. conclude their engagement at the Garrick 7 and is on the road.

A disagreement between Manager Loverich of the Princess and Samuel Rork of "The Queen of the Moulin Rouge" company, wherein the latter sought the aid of the course to restrain the former from breach of contract, was amicably settled after the effective newspaces work had accomplished its purpose. All the propose of the course to remain the contract of the course to remain the course of the c

The new Premium on the site of the old Hague Cafe in Fillmore St., is scheduled to open 11.

The Star, which reopened several weeks ago with 5c. vaudeville and pictures under the management of Turner & Ibahken, the local "Trust" film exchange agency, is meeting with

Irving C. Ackerman of the Chutes and Sam Harris of the Wigwam bave secured a five years' lease on the Garrick (old Orpheum) which will be opened 21 as picture house the ground of the control of the control of the children of the control of the control of the beating plant installed. The Garrick seats 1,800.

Chevalier De loris now being featured over the S. & C. Cheuit, has become enraptured with the climate of California to such an extent that is desirous of retiring from the show business and setting down here for good and has begun preparations for doing so by necotiating for a piece of property near the Empress in which he intends to open a larke billiard parfor with bowling alleys and a shooting gallery in conjunction.

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KEITH'S (Harry E. Gustin, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.).—Eva Tanguay the feature. Received great reception. Schicht's Manikins next in importance. Miller & Lyies well received. Tom Jack Trio, foreign musical, good work. Lancton Lucier & Co., connedy sketch, good. Henry Horton & Co., rural comedy sketch, good. Cunningham & Marion, clever team. Karl Emmy and his Pets, fine animal act. Pictures.

tures.

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Warren Church, of the Church Booking office, has opened a branch in Montreal, at 231 St. Catherine Street. W. L. Murchison is manager. Church has also added the Opera House, Plattsburg, N. Y., to his string.

Frank L. Browne, former manager of four small time houses in Boston, has taken hold of the club department in the Church office.

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Edwin W. Rowland, Jr., manager of the "Rosary" company, playing at the Globe theatre, was lost and found last week. At 1 o'clock Friday afternoon he left the box office with the receipts of the week, ostensibly ogo to the bank. When he did not show up that night, Waiter Duggan, the assistant manger, called the police on the phone, gave them the details of Rowland's disappearance and his description. A general alarm was sent out by the police and every officer in Boston was on the lookout. The next afternoon Rowland phoned to the theatre from Schenectady, New York, saying that he had gone on there to visit his wife, who was with a burlesque show in that town. He siles said that he had phoned the theatre before leaving Boston, saying that ite was going away, but nobody could be found at the Globe who had received the micssage. It is is the son of the senior member of Rowland & Clifford, of Chicago.

PHILADELPHIA

By George M. Young.

KEITH'S (H. T. Jordan, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.).—Frank Keenan's sketch, "The Oath," by Soumas MacManus, had list first showing in this city, and the well-known dramatic actor is credited with making a substantial hit in a piece which is one of the heaviest of the dramatic playlets given to vaudeville recently.

lt was only after, while bowing to deserved applause, that he spolled the picture he had painted by removing his wig. This was never learned or permitted in the Belasco forces, and Mr. Keenan has no reason to loosen the lines because he is in vaudeville. He had good support, though Charles H. Mailes overplayed his part on his entrance. The sketch is beautifully staged. The Irish atmosphere was increased by the presence of Maggie Cline, and the "Irish Queen," with several songs, including "Throw Him Down, McCloskey," landed soildly. There must have been a few in the house who remember "Aunt Maggie" from the old Comique or Grand Central days, and when she referred to them she drew an extra hand. The handsme green elvet advence, and when she referred to them she drew an extra hand. The handsme green elvet advence, and when perfection in fit and color, she never looked better. The De Haven Sexiet, with Sydney G. Gibson, is sadly in need of rebuilding. It seems a shame to waste the pretty dressing on two or three of the girls in the act, who almost made a joke of the singing on Monday. Some clever floor tumblers in the act, who almost made a joke of the singing on Monday. Some clever floor tumblers in the troupe, one in particular showing some twisters which brought big results. Morton and Moore brought some of their material which they used in burlesque to Chestnut street, and got away with it in good shape after once started, the eccentric stepping and clowung at the finish bringing good results. Their act could she burlengue opera is given portion, where the burlengue opera is given more were he Nichols Sisters. One can pass up a lot of "coon-song" islerer after listening to this team Goldsmith and Hoppe drew down a good-sized hit with their talk and music. The act has been nicely built up and showed its worth by

scoring in a position following the Keenan sketch. The Charles Ahearn Troupe was a small-sized riot with the big comedy hike number, the motorcycle finish being a scream. Ahlta Dlaz's trained monkeys opened nicely. Pictures.

Anita Diaz's trained monkeys opened nicely. Pictures.

Victoria (Jay Mastbaum, mgr.; agent, H. Bart McHugh).—Annie Abbott, mystified. The Braun Slaters carried off a big share of the honors. The girls do a singing turn, one working at the piano and both finishing with a little stepping. The latter does not help, and the girls do not need it, for their singing and piano numbers are right, and, in addition, the girls are pretty and send their stuff over in a way that demands attention. They ought to make sood any piace. The Careno Trio, which includes a wel-trained dog scored nicely with some juggling. Anna Belmont met with warm favor in a singing turn. Miss Belmont was built on generous lines and makes agood voice and intendes. She also has a good voice and intended she was latter of the subject of announcing everything. Their sketch needs rearrangement, when the musical portion will take them along nicely. McCauley and Donneily had some songs which were liked, and some talk which did not help much. The straight man does some capital stepping. Wills and Barron, a pair of veterans, won a liberai share of the laughing honors with a lot of nonsensical comedy which brought laughs through the way it was handled. The McCarvers please

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10.10U (Joseph Dougherty, mgr.; agent, U. B. Q.).—Volta, Walthour Trio, Lambert and Williams, The Stantons, Nettle Knise, Lamont and Milham, Augustus Neville and of h "Politics and Pettleoats," feature, Pictures

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All the attention given in making up the show for the "Broadway Galety Girls" must have been centered on supplying the olio and a sufficient supply of musical numbers to allow the comedies an opportunity to refresh their memory on time-worn comedy bits to supply the balance of action in first-part and burlesque. In this arrangement the first part and burlesque in this arrangement the first part and vertage almost fifty per cent. When the "Hotel Topsy Turvy" is selected for a burlesque of an up-to-date show, and it is offered as a "screanling burletta," It suggests that he man who made the arrangement must have run out of Ideas or grew tired after making out the list of musical numbers and left if the "Botel" considering to put in their own comply. Considering the "Broadway Galety Girls," it is the burlet of the house left in room for the manager to lind fault, considerable lot could be made early and run to the finish, skipping only the olio. This is

a blg point in 18 favor, and as those concerned have principal parts in both pieces, it is easy to imagine that with proper markerial they could secure just as easily-favor results. The first part is called "The King and the Count," and what come of William of the King in it is singlifed by Frank Carlton and William F. Collins. The former can landle an Irish role cleverly, and proves it in the olio, where is mit is singlifed by Frank Carlton and William F. Collins. The former can landle an Irish role cleverly, and proves it in the olio, where with Kate Carlton, he sends over a good-size olit with a singing act in which popular Irish ballads are song, both having good voices and adolity to use them. Collins is one of the vandewille portion of the bill. The Majestic Four are excellent musicians, and have framed up an act with a novelty finish to which ought to hold its place on any vaudicile bill if built up and dressed to the proper grade. At present it is a corking number for a lurit-sque show and won plenty of favor But Collins is not capable of doing much with in: "Dutch" character in the hirst part of band adds nothing in the comody line band proper grade.

bers, and in these the women principals get their only real opportunity to show themselves. May Strebl has the most important part and gets what there is to be had. She wears a couple of pretty costumes nicely in the least part, and then goes to lights for the wears a couple of pretty costumes nicely in the least part, and then goes to lights for the wears a big hat which is not becoming to her. Marie Pisher and Kate Carlton also have principal roles, but aside from leading one or two numbers in each piece, they have nothing to bring them merit. Miss Streht led a Frenchy number in the first part which brought her liberal return in the way of applicable. This is her best, and she works it up with a bit of fliration. Although suffering with a heavy cold, Marie Fisher scored with her numbers, and Miss Carlton displayed her vocal ability whenever the opportunity was afforded. Miss Fisher also opened the olio with "coon" songs. It's a very useful chorus with this show. They hit a pretty good average on looks and general appearance, and show very ween in the numbers. In addition, risland Model" display in the olio. In the land of the subjects have been carefully thought out and staged so as to secure pleasang results, coing several points higher than any model display seen in burlesque in a long time. Carlion and staged so as to secure pleasang results, coing several points higher than any model display seen in burlesque in a long time. Carlion and chose a post, but he makes a funny old man. The girls do very well for untrained models. The musical program did not run according to the list, and one or two of the chorus had a chance to lead numbers. One nice-booking little girl led "Sleepy lend" without surging weyr nuch, but getting by on the way she tried. There are only in few attempts to some recomely or bosst numbers through rough methods. A couple of driry gass were sprung in a sextending the couple of driry gass were sprung in a sextending the couple of driry gass were sprung in a sextending the couple of drive

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ATLANTIC CITY By I. B. Pulaski.

YOUNG'S PIER (Jack D. Flynn, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.)—Reba Dale and Co. In "Carmen" (grand opera) good effort; Gorden Eldrid and Co., good; Mr. and Mrs. Dan Hiatt, went big; Clinton and Nolan, in "The African Dodger," very funny; Fitzpatrick and Long, nimble stepping, went big; Nancy Withro, well liked; Great Elverton, juggler, excellent.

Wilfro, well liked; Greak Education, excellent.
SAVOY (Harry Brown, mgr.; agent, Louis Wesley).—Kara, wonder; McMahon and Chappelle, hit; Eya Wescott and Co., liked; Mile. Esmeralda, xylophone, went big; Joe Weston and Co., well liked; Charles DeCamo and dog, good; Don Carney, liked; Johnson and Watter in. D.

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The first half of the week at the Apollo the "Down in Dixle Minstrels" appeared. This is a colored organization under the management of Barton & Wiswell. John Rucker is featured. "Through Death Valley" was visible the last three days of the week.

Dalzie, who played Young's pler last week was attacked with rheumatism in her right arm resulting from a brulse on her hand and could not work on Saturday. She was to have played Columbus this week hut was compelled to cancel. She left here for her home in New York on Sunday. The other members of the act are laying off here until she will have recovered.

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COLUMBIA (Frank Tate, Mgr.; Agt., Orneum Circuit)—Lawson & Namon; Lem-Put; George Auger; Van Hoven; Kenney, Nobody & Platt; "The Operatic Festival"; Stepp, Mehlinger & King; Four Casting Dunbars.

SHUBERT (Me'Ville Stoltz, Mgr.)—"The Chotolate Solter (Me'Ville Stoltz, Mgr.).—"My Cinderella Oil."

GAYETY (Frank V. Hawley, Mgr.).—"Paristan Widows."

AUSTRALIAN NOTES By Martin C. Brennan.

TiVOLI.—Bark St., Sydney, Dec. 6.
TiVOLI.—Barnold's Animal Actors, terrific hit and held over for another two weeks. The act is drawing capacity husiness. Les Morbas, acrobatio dancers, great: Fred Bluett, in hobble skirt burlesque, scream; James & Moore, musical sketch, fine; Irving Sayles,

comedian; Les Warton, likewise; The Meymotts, sketch people, and many others.

NATIONAL—Daly & O'Brien, topliners here. Daly is a revelation in dancing, whilst his female partner is a fine feeder. Gray & Grahamare back again and big applause winners. Usual holdworts.

OPERA HOUSE (Melbourne).—Walker C. Kelly just finished a return here and had to make way for Julian Rose, the Hehrew comedian, who opened as a headline hit here Saturday. Barnold's Dogs will be the next attraction.

GAIETY (Melhourne).—The Staig Troupe of Cyclists, headline, sensational novelty. A number of important acts are promised here shortly.

NEWCASTLE.—The last American mall brought over two American acts to the National circuit. Hen Harney and Jessie Haines, in a classy comedy act, registered a hit; whilst Travers and Cuyco, in an animal act, combined with hat spinning, made good. Harry Plydora, Gertie Johns, the Fanings, Ethel Preston and Wally Rickards make up a particularly powerful hill for the Brennan, Newcastle house. NEWCASTLE.-The last American

Clarence Lisdale, the colored tenor, is now in Chicago again. He was in Australia for several years and knows it thoroughly.

Julian Rose opened to a huge hit at Mel-bourne Opera House last week. In the Hehrew comedian and Walter Kelly, Australia has now two of America's best monologists.

Harry Rickards returned from England last Thursday, and had an enthusiastic reception from his house and general staff. A number of big bookings were arranged, but up to now, few names were divulged. R. A. Roberts is amongst the highest salaried acts secured.

Syd Brennan, the treasurer of the National Sydney house, left for England Saturday. He will reside permanently in London or Manches-ter, and will he exclusively engaged in booking foreign acts for the National Circuit.

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ORPHEUM (Geo. W. Carr. mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; rehearsal Monday and Thursday 10:30).

-Bayone Whiple and Co., feature; Goodrich, Murray and Gillen, great; Wally Trio, clever; Turpen and Behrens, pleased.

PERGOLA (D. E. Knorr, mgr.; rehearsal Monday and Thursday 11).—Ethel Hammond, dainty; Johnson, Marvelle and Mike, funny.

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ALTOONA, PA.

ORPHEUM (A. E. Denman, Mgr.; U. B. O. Agt.; rehearsal Monday 11).—Elsie Quell, good; Markee Bros, good; Wills and Hutchlason, pleasing; White's Mules, very good.

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and Fowler, went went, a Donatana of the fine.

HAPPYLAND (Frank Simpson, mgr.; agent, Gus Sun; rehearsal Monday and Thursday 11).—Gourley and Keenan, hit; Three Anglo Saxons, pleasing; Pierce, Baldwin and Sullivan, very good.

MOTION WORLD (E. M. Day, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; rehearsal Monday and Thursday 10).—Queen City Quariette, hit; Kathleen Kay, excellent; Rosener and Hillman, fine. CHAS, R. BAUMLINE.

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average.

WILSON (M. L. Schalbley, Mgr.; agent,
Norman Jeffries).—Margoe Manikin Actors,
novel; The Liskos, fair; May Wash, dainty;
Frances Peabody and Co., excellent; Wallace
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LUBIN'S (Wm. Fait, Mgr.; agent, John T. facasiln).—Ruth King; Williams and Rogers; ndrew Bros.; Jean Livingston; Tom Howard, GAYETY (Wm. L. Ballaup, Mgr.).—"Majestes."

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SHEA'S (M. Shea, Mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; rehearsals 9).—De Renzo and La Due, clever; Paul La Croix, pleased; Harry First and Co., good; Albert Hole, well received; Cliff Berace, entertaining; York and Adams, scream; "The Photo Shop," excellent; Wills and Hassen Sans

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FAMILY (Rehearsal 10).—Chas, Loder and

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EMPRESS (Howard E. Robinson, Mgr.; signth phearsal 10).—Three Leiphtons, fine; Walton and Vivian, good; Harry Booker, hit; Ellison and Ellison, fine; H. T. MacConnell, scream; Gardiner, Vincent and Co., featured, AMERICAN (E. W. Duatin, Mgr.; agents, W. V. A. and Gus Sun; Monday rehearsal 10).—The Bartelmes; Winifred Stewart; Harry Burton; Fox, Peck and Franks; Downey, Willard and Swaln; Willard Halsted; Sload, Downey, Willard and Swaln; Willard Halsted; Sload, Depolities, James M. Fennessy, Mgr.).—"A Glorlous Night."

STANDARD (Frank J. Clements, house agent).—"Girls From Happyland."

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EMPIRE (S. L. Oswald, Mgr.; agent. I. B. O.; Monday and Thureday rehearsal 10.30).—
Cow Boy Williams, clever; Earl and Bartlell, laughing applause; Wilson and Barber Sister, big; Jordan and Hines, liked; Atlantic City Four, very good.
POLI'S (L. D. Garvey, Mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; Monday rehearsal 10).—The Stanleys, very good; Karl Schults, liked; Pele Lawrence & When answering advertisements kindly mention VARIETY

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CHICAGO

Keeler and Co., great; Dooley and Sayles, nicely; Four Onetti Sisters, novet, PROSPECT (H. A. Danlels, Mgr.; U. B. O., agent; Monday rehearsal 10).—Altus Bros., clever; Delphino and Delmora, fair; May L. Maxfield, won favor; Roeber and Tunison, H. Maxfield, won favor; Roeber and Tunison, H. GRAND (J. H. Michels, Mgr.; U. B. O., agent; Monday rehearsal 10).—Mile. Senia, clever; Farley and Clare, good; Rolland Carter and Co., headlines; Irving Jones, pleased Swan and Bambard, fair; James Lichter, went well: Hetty Urma, fair; Campbell and Brady, novel.

Novel.

STAR (Drew & Campbell, mgrs.; Monday resears 10).—"The Merry Maldens."

EMPIRE (E. A. McArdel, Mgr.; Monday retempers (E. M. McArdel, Mgr.; Mgr.; Monday retempers (E. M. Mgr.; Mgr.;

DAVENPORT, IA.

AMERICAN (C. E. Berkell, mgr.; agent, William Morris; rehearsal Monday 12.30).—
Week 3-MacDowell and Trecott in "Fedora."
first half; "The Sheriff and the Widow," last half, strong. Three Marx Bros and Co., school act, pleased; Greve and Green, well liked; Emilly Pearl, singing, good comedy; Harry Pestry, clever.

Emily Feart, Subsets, Cort, Bestry, Clever.
BURTIS (Wm. Klinck, mgr.; agents, Cort, Stubert-Kindt Co.)—"New Broadway Burlesquers," 30, blue, the kind they like here good "cooch"—2, "Lady Buccaneers," well SHARON.

DENVER.

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ORPHEUM (Stanley and Norton, pleased;
Lew Wells, generously received; Alexander
and Scott, score heavily; Mario Aido Trio,
average well; George Beban and Co., hit: Crenon, Downing Co., good.—PANTAGES
Woods and Green fair: Morgan Brothers, satisfied; singing of Larry Quinian and Auerback
drew fair appiause; Libbey and Trayer, hit;
Shepp's Animals, popular.

WILL P. GREEN.

DES MOINES.

ORPHEUM (Week I)—Australian Wheelers, clever; Grace Dexter Hoopes, good voice; "A Little of Everything," clever; Three Binns, pleased; "Baseballitis," clever; Thre Land Agent." liked; Aiclade Capataine, good.
MAJESTIC.—A Touch of Nature, good comedy; Swift and Casey, fair; Billy Windom, hit; Cycling Cogswells, above average.

ELMIRA, N. Y.

HAPPY HOUR (G. H. Ven Demark, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; Monday rehearsal 11).—
Margaret Ryan, "The Eagle and the Girl."
big hit; Al. Leonhart, good; Gus Fredericks, excellent; Josef Samuels, well received.
J. M. BEERS.

ERIE, PA.

COLONIAL (A. P. Weschler, mgr.; agent, Gus Sun; rehearsal Monday 10).—The Taylors, clever; Keith's Flve, good; Knickerbocker Trio, excellent; Vera Bassini, went big; Seymour's Dogs, clever; Willis Hail and Co., well created the control of the control of the clevel. The control of the contro

FALL RIVER, MASS.

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SAVOY (L. M. Boas, mgr.; agent, Loew; rehearsal Monday 10).—Hazel Moran, good; Joe Hardman, very good: Harry Tighe and Colegians, good; Dagwell Sisters, good; "Laughing Tourists," very good; 1da Barr, good: Strength Bros., excellent.—BIJOU (L. M. Boas, mgr.; agent, direct; rehearsal Monday 10).—9-11, Helen Drew, good; Smith and Harrls, very good; The Spauns, good. 12-14. Yashamote Japs; Al Herman.—PREMIER (L. M. Boas, mgr.; agent, direct; rehearsal Monday 10).—9-11, Wilfred Marion, good; Marlowe and Plunkett, very good. 12-14, Carl and Lauder; Aerial Dantos.

EDW. F. RAFFERTY.

FORT WORTH, THE.

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MAJESTIC (T. W. Mullaly, mgr. agent, Interstate).—Week 2—Nellie Burt, opened to good awantage; He had been to good awantage; He had been to good the Grazers, good; Flizgerald and Odell, well liked; Norris's Baboons, very entertaining; Willa Holt Wakefield, hit of show.

IMPERIAL (W. H. Wood, mgr.; agent, C. E. Hodgkins).—Howard Martin, dancer; Rese Trio, good; Hoyt and Stein, please; Banks-Zrazeale Duo, good; Alvona-Zoeller Trio, acrobats; Clarence Able, singer.

PRINCESS (Gus. Arnold, mgr.)—Nichols and Smith Haverly and Wells, good; Mitton and Delmar, good; Neary, Bliss and Rose, well received; Avalion Troupe, pleased. I. K. F.

HAMILTON, ONT.

TEMPLE (J. G. Appleton, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; Monday rehearsal- 10).—Laypo and Benjamin, good; Dora Rouka Co., fine; Barry and Halvers, fair; Niblo's Birds, novelty, Marlon Murray and Co., good; Dave Ferguson, pleased; Tasmanian Van Dieman Troupe, excellent. G. D.

HOUSTON, TEX.

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COZY (Maurice Wolf, mgr.; agent, Chas. E. Hodkins; Sunday rehearsal 11)—Week 2, districts, sunday rehearsal 11. Week 2, districts, good; Three Newsones, very good.—THEATO (W. F. Hennessy, mgr.; agent, W. M. Fairman; Sunday rehearsal 1).—Harry Fedman, hit; Cornell and Stanford; Joe Ross.—ROYAL (W. C. O'Brien, mgr.; agent, Frankel Bros.; Sunday rehearsal 1).

HARRISBURG, PA.

ORPHEUM (C. F. Hopkins, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.).—Dunbar and Turner, applause; Mr. and Mrs. Allison, well received; Crouch and Welch, pleased; Lynch and Zeilers, fine; Marlon Garson and Co., well balanced act; Mack and Orth, big hit; Howard's Pony Circus, entertaining.—HIPPOBROME (A. L. Roumfort & Co., mgrs.; agent, Rudy Heller; rehearsal Monday 10).—Lang and May, Grace Coyne, Waldron Bros.

HARTFORD, CONN.

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POLI'S (O. C. Edwards, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; Monday rehearsal 10).—"The Governor's Son," big; Great Lester, htt. E. F. Hawley and Co., better than ever. Doherty's Poodles, opened strong; Charles and Fannie Stedman, good; Harry Breen, riol; Pedersen Bros., clever; M. P.—HARTFORD (Fred P. Dean, mgr.; agent, James Clancy; Monday and Thursday rehearsal 11).—"The Deluge," hit; Harteso, clever; Eva Hamilton, good; Mr. and Mrs. Fred. S. Thomas, laughs; Lafoye and Touhey, good; M. P. 12-14, "The Deluge," Davies and Wallon, Howard and Linder, C. W. Littlefield, Van Cooks; M. P. R. W. OLMSTED.

KALAMAZOO, MICH.

MAJESTIC (H. W. Crull, mgr.; agent, W. V. A.; Monday rehearsal 1).—Best bill of season. Three acts deserve beadline honora. Williams, Thompson and Copeland, scream, replaced Warren and Blanchard account Mr. Blanchards liness; Vivian Loggton and Cociever act; Moneta Five, finished musical, took well; Newnor and Phelps, went big; Baisdon, good.—Miss Longton's first appearance in her home city. She is clever, has a good yolce and deserves the big vation received from an artistic standpoint as well as the friendship a home town always gives.

KONXVILLE, TENN.

GRAND (Frank Rogers, mgr.)—Week 2—De Espia Family, casting, good; Al Lawrence, very good; Dave and Percle Martin, excellent; Leo Beers, pianolog, hit of bill; Pearl Stevens, songs, excellent; The Bransons, hoop rollers, very good; M. P.

LINCOLN, NEB.

ORPHEUM (Martin Beck, gen. mgr.; agent, direct; rchearsal Monday 6).—Week 2—Show first class. Rio opened and pleased; Paul Florus, Xylophone, best to date; Old Soldier Fliddlers, ovation, favorable comment; Faye, Miller and Weston, very classy; Thurber and Madison, fair; Ida O'Day and Co. in "Cinders," excellent; Burnham and Greenwood, laughing alt of bill.

Lyric Stock Co., formerly dramatic, has changed to musical comedy rep. Company has been augmented.

Donald Bowles joined Ida O'Day in "Cin-

"Three Twins" (western) failed to show 31. Train held up in snow drift. House two-thirds sold out.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

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MARY ANDERSON (J. L. Weed, mgr.; agent, W. V. A.).—Al Joison, hit; Ryan-Richfield Co., fine; Morail Opera Co., good; Stuart and Kelly, dancing, good; Carson Brothers, clever; Hyman Meyers, very good; Bowers, Walters and Crookes, very good; Bowers, Walters and Fronkes, very good; Bowers, Walters and Hyman fine; Barr and Borden and Hayden, clever; George Walters, pleased; Lucile Tilden, did well; Ved Mars, clever.—BUCKINGHAM (Horace McCrockiln, mgr.).—Pat White's "Galety Girls."

—GAIETY (Al Bouller).—Hastings' Big Show.

J. M. OPPENHEIMS.

LOS ANGELES.

ORPHEUM (Martin Beck, gen. mgr.; agent, direct; Monday rehearsal 10).—Week 2—Marvelous Griffith, headliner, mystifying; Quireley Brothers, good; Scheda, violinist, artistic. Cook and Lorenz, great laugh producers. Holdovers—William Farnum and Co.; Duffin-Red-

cay; Radie Furman; Meredith Sisters.—LOS
ANGELES (E. F. Donnellan, mgr.; agent,
Brown; Monday rehearsal 11).—Helm Children,
feature; Besnah and Miller, pleasing; McNamee, novel; Kretore, took well; Davenport
and Lodella, aglie; Richard Cummings, Jr.,
angr.; agent. Bebymer; Monday rehearsal
10).—Doris Wilson, favorite; Venetian Trio,
well liked; Ethel Leslle, clever; Sharp and
Turek, entertaining.—PANTAGES (Carl
Walker, mgr.; agent, direct; Monday rehearsal
11).—Morton-Jewell Troupe, clever; Zaretsky Russian Dancers, decided hit; Thiessen's Dog Show, entertaining; Henderson and
Thomas, colored, good; Kiltie Duo, music,
pleasing; Hawley, Olcott and Standish, sketch,
very good.

JOLIET, ILL.

GRAND (J. H. Le Voy, mgr.; agent, Chas. Doutrick).—Church City Four, diversion; Four Andersons, good; Laurene, James and Beano, graceful; Geo. Evers, laughs; pictures.—COL-BERUM (Chas. E. Stevenson, mgr.; agent, Cox).—Bersini Troupe, clever; Dancing Davy and Pony Moore, artistic; Jean Cunningham, pleased; Cowitney and Jeanette, occurric.

ALBERT J. STEVENS.

MUNCIE, IND.

STAR (Ray Andrews, mgr.; agent, Gus Sun; rehearsal Monday 10:30).—Rose Kendall, good, Gulse, took well; Adair and Henney, went blg; Great Wilhelmi, htt. GEO. FIFER.

NEW ORLEANS.

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AMERICAN (James R. Cowan, mgr.; agent, William Morris; Sunday rehearsal 10)—Artington and Heiston opened; Bessie Leonard, liked immensely; Kelly and Wilder, did well, "That Annie Laurie Song" pleased; LaValls, thorough approbation; W. J. McDermott, hit; "The Woman in the Case," started nothing, LYRIC (Waiter Brown, mgr.; agent, Charles Hodkins; Sunday rehearsal 10)—Hicks and Hicks scored unmistakably; Olive Crane, elicited applause; Aerial Fosters, small time attraction de luxe; Bert Fielding, amused.

ORPHEUM.—Ferry, repeated former success; Suzanne Rocamora, warmly welcomed; Bert Coote and Co., fine reception; "Top O the World Dancers," hearty appreciation; Tom Waters, amused; Pringle and Whiting, liberal applause; Apdale's Animais, unstinted applause; App

applause; Apdale's Animals, unstitted approval.
WINTER GARDEN (Frank B. Chase, mgr.)
—After an unprofitable week with pictures, the Winter Garden swung back in the vaude-vill column Sunday, offering four acts. Flo Kendal, singer, found favor; Bohmans, did well; Steve Reed, comedian, evoked laughter; Ed Russ, magician, proved entertaining.
MAJESTIC (L. E. Sawyer, mgr.)—Tyson Extravaganza Co., vaudeville and pictures.
HAPPY HOUR (Al. Durning, mgr.)—Alice Jones, Ralph Nogues, Frank Wicker and the Morgans.

Arthur B. Leopold has resigned as manager of the Lyric.

James R. Cowan, manager of the American, returned Sunday from New York, whither he had gone to confer with his principal, William Morris.

'AKLAND, CAL.

ORPHEUM (Martin Beck, gen. mgr.: agent, direct).—La Pia: Rigoletto Bros.; Howrad, Melville and Higgins: Harion E. Knight and Co.; Four Vanis; Holdovers, Joe Jackson; Cross and Josephine.
BELL (Jules Cohn, mgr.)—National Comiques; Eckhoff and Gordon; Leo and Chapman; Kitty Edwards; Happy Jack Gardner and Co.; Joe Lanigan.

PATERSON, N. J.

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MAJESTIC (W. H. Walsh, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; Monday rehearsal 10).—"Rolfonians," several recalls; Four Londons; Columbia Comedy Four, good singers, fair comedy; Arthur Whitelaw, good; Trainor and Wixon, strong; Lea and Lucifers, neat; Selbert Lindley and Co., scream.

EMPIRE (A. M. Bruggemann, mgr.; Ind., 10 a. m. Monday).—"Hold Up." scored heavily; Harry Joison, fine; Howard Trio, neat; Harry Thriller, good; Callahans, favorable impression; Molly Holmes, well liked.

FOLLY (Joseph E. Pine, mgr. W. W.)—"Follies of the Day" and "The Big Review. Divided week.

PITTSBURG, PA

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GRAND (Harry Davis, Mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; rehearsal Monday 9).—Rice, Sully and Scott, clever; Elsie Faye and Miller and Weston, good; Mr. and Mrs. Jack McGrevey, much applause; Chas. F. Semon, well received; Burr Mc'ntosh and Co., good; Marshall Montgomery, clever; Edwin Stevens, assisted by Tina Marshall, very good; Lillian Shaw, by Tina Marshall, very good; Edward Swiss, FAMILY (John P. Harris, Mgr.; agent, Morganstern; rehearsal Monday 9).—The Cliffors, featured; Jas. Dunlevy, good; Addell and Lesile, pleased; Ring and Mason, very good; Edward Swiss, well received; Harknesses, fair; Fox and Summers, good; Murray and Stone pleased.

LIBERTY (Abe Cohen, Mgr.; agent, Gun; rehearsal Monday 9).—Lester Bros. and Crafton Sissed; Marie Roets, htt; Ralton and La Tour, well received.

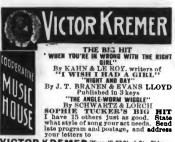
GAYETY (Henry Kurtzman, Mgr.).—"Follies New York and Paris."

ACADEMY (Harry Williams, Mgr.).—"Watson's Burlesquers."

PITTSFIELD, MASS.

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FRANKLIN EMPIRE (J. H. Tibbetts, Mgr.; U. B. O., agent; rehearsal Monday 10).—Nar-row Bros., good; Marie Sparrow, went big; Wormwood's Circus, good; Rutledge and Pick-



VICTOR FREMER (Himself) 67 Clark St., Chicago

ering, good; James R. Waters, pleased; "The Leading Lady," good; W. Coughter, ill. songs.

Lawrence Johnston (not Robinson) was the ventriloquist here last week. FRANKLIN.

PORTLAND, ME.

PORTLAND (J. W. Greeley, Mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; rehearsal 10).—Osaka Royal, clever: Green and Parker, well received; Keiley and Katlin, eccentric; Page and Morency, good; Mr. and Mrs. Thornton Friel, hit. HAROLD C. ARENOVSKY.

PORTSMOUTH, O.

MAJESTIC (Maler & Reineger, mgrs.; agent, Coney Iloimes; Monday rehearsal 10).—Riely and Ahearn, very good; Bob Dalton, fair; Price and Saviere, good; La Boheme Trio, excellent.

READING, PA.

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ORPHEUM (C. C. Eggn, Mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; Monday and Thursday rehearsal 10.30).

—Wang Doodle Four, pleased; Montgomery and Healty Slaters, good; Bob, Tip and Co. clever; Mrs. Gen. Tom Thumb and Count and Baron Magri, well received.

LYRIC (Frank D. Hill, Mgr.; agent, Loew; Monday and Thursday rehearsal 10).—Burns and Clarke, good; Marle Manning, pleased; Miller, Eagle and Miller, excellent.

PALACE (W. K. Goldenberg, Mgr.; agent, McHugh; Monday and Thursday rehearsal 10.30).—Madeline Ward, pleased: Schneck, Mrs. Madeline, Ward, pleased; Schneck, Miller, Manna Madeline, Ward, Mgr. (Cartion Slaters, Well, receive and Hursday rehearsal 10.50).—Anna Buckley's Dancing Dogs; Leavitt and Dunsmore; Frank Sheridan and Co.; Conley and Mack; Harvard and Cornell; Esterbrooks; Chas. Dooin and McCoole.

ROCK ISLAND, ILL.

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MAJESTIC (J. P. Quinn, Mgr.; U. V. A., agent; rehearsal 12.30).—Siegel and Mathews, clever; Wolford and Stevens, good; The Langdons, hit.

LOUIS F. WENDT.

SALT LAKE CITY.

ORPHEUM—Musical Cuttys, hit; Jewell's Manikins, well liked; Grant and Hoag, continual laughter; Mona Ryan and Co., pleased; Billy Farnum and Clark Sisters, big; Richard Nedrage, good; Elicota, good.
MISSION.—Grant Churchill and Co., great; Renfrew and Jansen, good; Price of Princeion, and Boyd Solomon and Co., ordinary; M. P. CASINO—Banks and Walker, hit; Homer, great; Delton, good; M. P. OWEN.

SAN DIEGO, CAL.

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GARRICK (Wm. Tomkins, mgr.; Monday rehearsal 10).—Week 2—De Witt Young, very good; Flo Adler, well received; Billy Van, good: Cox and Farley, good; "Polly Pickies Pets in Petland." laughable; pictures.

PRINCESS (Fred Ballien, mgr.; agent, Bert Levey; Monday rehearsal 10).—Richards and De Winters, good; Howard Wolf, well received; Schady and Shad, very good; pictures. GRAND (R. B. Sisco, mgr.)—La Salle Musical Comedy Co.; pictures.

PRINCESS (Fred Ballien, mgr.)—Completed first year.

SEATTLE, WASH.

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PANTAGES (Alex. Pantages, Mgr.: agent, direct: Monday rehearsal 1).—Week 1, Handon, Dean and Hallone of the control of the co

ST. PAUL.

ORPHEUM (Martin Beck, gen, mgr.; agent. direct; rehearsal Sunday 10).—"The Love Waitz, fine; Merrili and Otto, pleased; John P. Dade, sketch, fine: Welch, Mealy and Montrose, pleased; Fred Singer, good; Linton and John Charles, and John Charles,

SAVANNAH, GA.

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LIBERTY (Frank and Hubert Bandy, Mgrs.; agent, direct; rehearsal Monday 11).—Scott Leslie and Co., entertaining; Lep Meyer, great; Del Beatty and Jap, clever.

ORPHEUM (Joseph A. Wilensky, Mgr.; agent, Inter-State; rehearsal Monday 11).—Cal Stewart, hit; Catherine Challenor and Co., laughable; Lawrence and Edwards, good; La Toy Brothers, and Bert Lewis, clever.

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BIJOU (Charles W. Rez, Mgr.; agent, Well's; rebearsal Monday 11).—McCormick and Wallace, good; Carlton, clever; Salvail, mystifying; Great Benora Trio, hit; Wonderful Roode, clever. R. MAURICE ARTHUR.

SHREVEPORT, LA.

MAJESTIC (Ehrlich & Coleman, S. C., Sunday 1,30).—Joe Austin, good; Banks, Breazele Duo, hit; Gladys Arnold and Co., good; Alrona Zoeller Trio, fair.
PALACE (C. L. Monteville, Interestate, Sunday 1).—Rafael, Boyle Bros., Connors and Fox, Billy Saither, Billy Dunn, Merkle Sisters.

The Palace, leased by Mrs. C. L. Mentville and booked by the Interstate, is being entirely remodeled and decorated. A gallery will increase capacity about one-third.

The Saenger will be completed about March It will offer vaudeville and motion pictures. HOWARD T. DIMICK.

SPRINGFIELD, MASS.

POLI'S (S. J. Breen, res. mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; rehearsal Monday 10).—Kramer and Spillane, peaing; Conroy and Harvey, left bill after Monday; "The Grafter," commonplace; Primrose Four, went big; "Planophlend Minstrels," good; Patsy Doyle, unique; Montrose Troupe, "Risiey," best work ever seen here. G. A. P.

ST. PAUL, MINN.

MAJESTIC.—Iolen Sisters, clever; Silvia De Frankle, good; Musical Pearsons, good; Two Rays, pleased; Van and Van, pleased. PRINCESS.—Musical Fredericks, good; Oberitta Sisters, pleased; Haley and Haley, good. REX.—Four Lavelles, pleased; Robinson Bros., fair; Delaphone, pleased; Princess Regina, good; Neal Trio, pleased; Clifford and Thompson, good.
GALETY.—The Keltons; College Trio; Jenkins and Barrett.

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TORONTO, ONT.

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SHEA'S (J. Shea, Mgr.; U. B. O., agents; Monday rebeareal 10).—Harry Curtis Aeropiane, novel; Laddie Cliff, big; Lake Williams and Co., hit; Frank Milton and De Long Sisters, pleased; Sadie Jonsell, clever; Carsille Trio, scream; Asuma Japs, wonderful; Cadeasche Guscoyne, artistic.

MAJESTIC (Peter T. Griffon, Mgr.; booking direct).—Hilda and Co.; Hamburg; Thereas Miller; The Mexicoons, Jebin and Cacum; Bill Jones.

YONGE STREET (George W. M. Moran, Mgr.).—Akton and Arliss; Beaumont's Ponles; George Wood, Buckley and Anderson.

STAR (Don F. Pierce, Mgr.).—'Kenlucky Belles.''

enes. GAYETY (T. R. Henry, Mgr.).—"Knicker-nckers." HARTLEY,

YONKERS, N. Y.

WARBURTON (Jos. E. Schanberger, Mgr.; agent, Edw. S. Keller; Monday rebearnal, 10.80).—Onalp, interesting; Jeannette Childs, hit; Ned Nye, very good; Alice Braham and Co., fine; Gus Hombrook's Cow Punchers, good; Brooks and Vedder, laugh; Beebacks, good.

good.

ORPHEUM (Sol. Schwartz, Mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; Monday and Thursday rehearsals 12).

-5-7, Russian Crosien Troupe, well liked; tillian and Moore, nice; Pauline Fletcher and Co., laugh. 9-11, Mrs. Dr. Munyon, M. W. Lund and Co., well received; Coventrys, good; Baker and Murray, good. Pictures. CRIS.

YOUNGSTOWN, O.

YOUNGETUUM, U.

PARK (John Elliott, Mgr.; agent, Feiber & Shea)—Joe Welch, hit; Seima Braatz, excellent; Karsey's Myrlophone, elaborate novelty; The Geers, skillful; Emeraid and Dupree, pleasing sketch; Wyann and Lewis, bright. PRINCESS (Walter Hanitch, Mgr.; agent, Gus Sun).—Four Mullers, attractive; June Roberts and Co., interesting; Riley and Fleming, clever; Andry Rankin, pleasing; Gillette's Monkeys and Dogs, fine.

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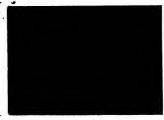
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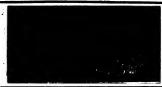
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East and West Rumored Ready to Amalgamate, With Williams and Hammerstein Affiliated.

A quiet little story early this week said that with the return of E. F. Albee, J. J. Murdock and Martin Beck to New York Thursday or Friday, the long simmering plan for the amalgamation of the vaudeville interests might shortly occur. A large capitalized corporation is the move, according to the story. It is to be financed, and stock placed for public sale perhaps listed upon the curb.

This will necessitate a pooling of theatres. All the prominent managers connected with the eastern and western groups are reported to be in on the deal, excepting Percy G. Williams and William Hammerstein. Through the connection of Williams with a company which operates what are known as "The Percy G. Williams houses" in Greater New York, Mr. Williams can not enter the pool, it is said. Hammerstein follows Williams' lead. Both managers though, according to the tale, will remain affiliated with the amalgamated crowd.

With the leading managers of the reported amalgamation out of town, nothing positive seemed to be known. Messrs. Albee and Murdock left town last Thursday. Saturday Mr. Beck tripped away, accompanied by a well-known and successful promoter of large deals. Their object was to hunt in the south, the Orpheum staff believes. Monday Maurice Goodman, attorney for the United Booking Offices, packed his valise.

A large corporation enveloping the principal vaudeville circuits, has been a pet subject with Beck for a long time. Levi Mayer, the Chicago attorney, has been consulted frequently regarding it. More than once Mr. Mayer has prepared papers looking toward that end. Beck's first idea was to include the Orpheum and other western, but smaller circuits, in one corporate existence.

The stock of an amalgamated corporation of this nature might find a sale in the larger cities, particularly in the west if the Orpheum Circuit's name is linked with it. In the east it has a chance with B. F. Keith behind the movement. Morris Meyerfeld, Jr., president of the Orpheum, has often stated his circuit would never part with its identity.

Nowhere in the story, as circulated among a few, did Wiliam Morris appear, nor the names of others who might loom up as "opposition" to an amalgamation of the whole of the bigger managers. Without Morris, the incorporation plan might resolve in itself into the introduction of the investing public to managerial vaudeville.

There may be a feeling among individual managers, in which class the Orpheum Circuit as a close corporation could be considered, that a large capital stock returning a fair annual dividend, with outside capital stored away as the proceeds of stock sales, would be preferable under present conditions to the single ownership, which looks for big returns from all theatres.

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West 46th street will soon present as lively an appearance as 42d street between Broadway and Eighth avenue for, according to report, there is another theatre to be added to the list.

The new house, to be called the Apollo, is to occupy the plot now covered by buildings numbered 227-229 and 231. Edward F. Rush is at the head of a new corporation formed for the purposes of erecting the building. Associated with him will be Max Spiegl, a burlesque manager. The promoters claim that the house is to be a "\$2 theatre" for small musical comedy productions.

The site is almost directly opposite the Follie Bergere, which Henry B. Harris and Jesse Lasky are building on the same street. When the Apollo is completed it will mean four theatres on the same block, although two (Gaiety and Globe) have a main entrance on Broadway.

According to present plans the new house is to have a seating capacity of about 850.

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The star of the Leiblers, Dustin Farnum, has set his figure for vaudeville. It is \$2,500 weekly. Mr. Farnum has a sketch called "The Little Rebel," ready for the call of the managers, who have not yet agreed to the weekly sum.

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NOT A WEEK LOST.

Chicago, Jan. 19.

Frank Bush, the "blacklisted" monologist, is playing in the middle west, with a record of not having been idle a week this season.

Mr. Bush has been engaged to open at the London Hippodrome Aug. 7.

SYNDICATE MANAGER DIES.

(Special Cable to VARIETY.)

London, Jan. 19.

Henry Sutton, joint managing director of the Syndicate halls, died Monday. He is the second connected with that management to have passed away within a year, Henri Gros being the other.

ACROBATIC ACT DOES WELL. (Special Cable to Variety,)

London, Jan. 19.

Lamaze, Bennett and Lamaze, American acrobats, closing the show this week at the Collseum on their first English appearance, are doing finely

ANOTHER CARTOON PLAY.

"Let George Do It" will be the title of a new musical piece, for production next season under the managerial eye of Leffler & Bratton

This is the second of artist George McManus' cartoon series that has found its way to the stage. At present it would seem as though Aaron Hoffman would be the author of the book

A LIEBLER THEATRE.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Jan. 19.

It is reported a deal is under way whereby the Lieblers, of New York, will secure Kirschner Hall, razing it to erect a theatre on the site

Everybody in the show business excepting Jules Ruby (who is on the edge) has taken a whack at the hall, without putting it over for a success. Even Harry Von Tilzer had a film.

BORN IN QUARANTINE.

Philadelphia, Jan. 19.

Tomorrow (Friday) Harry T. Jordan, manager of Keith's, will first see his new son, born a week ago. It has been five weeks since Mr. Jordan was home, kept away from his family by the quarantine placed upon the residence when the younger daughter in the Jordan household selected diptheria for the doctors to practice upon. The other daughter, nine years eld, has also been isolated and is just dying to see the new baby.

"LIGHT" PICTURES BRISK.

The activity in the "light" picture trade was brisk this week. The market opened strong, with a big demand for the moving pictures that may be shown without spoony couples in the audience annoying their neighbors under the veil of darkness.

"The Full Light" and "The Daylight" promoters were on the job, excepting the chief of staff of "The Daylight," who had left the city for a
few days, giving his competitor, "The
Full Light" man, a chance to get in
some deadly work. Pat Casey is the
"Full Light" fellow, while John J.
Murdock is the general director of
"The Daylight."

Up to Thursday the line-up for next week, as far as known, will be:

"Full Light"—At Montreal; Ottawa; Hamilton; Proctor's, Troy; two machines in New Bedford, one at Hathaway's; all houses on the Poli Circuit, and in all theatres of the Wilmer & Vincent Circuit.

"Daylight"—At the Fifth Avenue, New York; Philadelphia; Detroit, Rochester, Cincinnati, Indianapolis, Louisville and Montreal. Most of these points the "Daylight" will be shown in Keith's vaudeville theatres. "The Full Light" will show in theatres booked through the United Booking Offices, but not belonging to B. F. Keith.

In Montreal "The Full Light" is at the Orpheum, while the "Daylight" is at the Keith picture place, a few doors away.

RIOT AGAINST MINSTRELS. New Orleans, Jan. 19.

Several of the more militant white citizens of Benton, Ark., were most

unkind Saturday evening to Vogler's Minstrels, a colored organization of this city.

While en route from their boarding house to the theatre one of the minstrels was killed and two others severely injured.

MAUDE LAMBERT BACK.

Maude Lambert, who was the prima donna with "The Midnight Sons," which closed at the Circle several weeks ago, is to return to vaudeville via the Morris route.

Irving Cooper has booked the prima donna to open at the American Jan. 30.

INJURED IN BOSTON.

Boston, Jan. 19.

A taxi knocked Will H. Gregory insensible here last Saturday. Mr. Gregory was removed to the hospital, where he remained unconscious for eighteen hours. His right arm and leg are reported paralyzed from the collision.

FINAL WEEK FOR STEGER.

The present engagement of Julius Steger, headlining the program at the Fifth Avenue this week, is the final one for Mr. Steger in vaudeville, for awhile at any rate.

He is to commence rehearsals for a production Klaw & Erlanger will present the actor in. MILES BUYS FROM CHURCHILL. Chicago, Jan. 19.

The Temple Theatre, Grand Rapids, has passed from E. P. Churchill to Charles H. Miles, who also has houses in Detroit, Minneapolis and St. Paul. Miles takes possession of the Grand Rapids theatre Jan. 30. Consideration not stated.

Miles contemplates the further enlarging of his circuit through purchases of theatres eastward from Detroit.

Churchill is the main factor in the Theatre Booking Corporation. He has other vaudeville theatres in the middle west.

WRITING SKETCH TO ORDER.

Charlotte Granville, last in "It Can't Be as Bad as All That," is having a sketch written to order for her by Hartley Manners, the author of "The House Next Door."

Miss Granville contemplates vaudeville.

SMITH AND SULLIVAN?

Chicago, Jan. 19.

The report is that Charles H. Smith and J. Francis Sullivan will soon emerge as a "two-act," replacing the former team of Smith and Campbell.

Jack Campbell has been brought to Chicago, too ill to resume his stage partnership.

NEW ORPHEUM MANAGER.

Des Moines, Jan. 19.

H. B. Burton, formerly traveling representative of the Western Vaudeville Managers' Association, has succeeded Henry Sonnenberg as the manager of the Orpheum. Mr. Sonnenberg's retirement is due to ill health.

REP. AT HATHAWAY'S.

Lowell, Mass., Jan. 19.

It is announced that a company headed by Donald Meek will make a series of stock productions at Hathaway's, commencing Feb. 1.

Hathaway's is known as a vaudeville theatre.

ONE AMERICAN CLOSED.

New Orleans, Jan. 19.

William Morris' American theatre closed last Saturday night, the house reverting to Henry Greenwall, who secured Morris' release by wire from New York

Vaudeville was to have vacated in another week when the Morris Circuit intended to play stock. A favorable proposition appearing before Mr. Greenwall for the house, he wired Morris.

Greenwall, Feitel & Leopold, who have taken over Morris' unexpired lease, started operating the theatre with a "pop" vaudeville show of five acts Sunday afternoon.

The American opened with Morris vaudeville August 28, 1909. Its first season was fairly profitable.

HART GETS "HONOR" PIECE.

The Lamb's Club production, "Honor Among Thieves," lately presented for Sunday evening entertainment at the clubhouse will be presented in vaudeville by Jos. Hart.

Rehearsals are to start next week. A company of four will be engaged.

"THE GIRL J LOVE" AT LASALLE. Chicago, Jan. 19.

"The Girl I Love" will be produced at the LaSalle Feb. 5, succeeding "The Sweetest Girl in Paris." which takes to the road, opening at Milwaukee, where it was "tried out" last fall.

The 200th performance of the present show was celebrated last Sunday, when members of the company gave Trixie Friganzi a loving cup.

"The Hermits of Sleepy Hollow" was the title under which Cleveland amateurs first produced the new show. Its authors are young men of Cleveland, but R. H. Burnside had a professional hand in it.

Sidney Grant, Clara Palmer, Grace Edmonds and Geo. Wilson will be among the principals at the LaSalle initiation.

"THE BOSS" OPENS.

Detroit, Jan. 19.

The William A. Brady production of "The Boss," which is the piece for the starring tour of Holbrook Blinn, opened here last week. The show is a rather powerful work and the cast includes among others, Frank Sheridan.

FISCHER DOUBLING TWO WAYS.

Paris, Jan. 9.

The following announcement has been made on behalf of Clifford Fischer, the former Marinelli employe:

"During this month Princess Rajah and Clifford Fischer are to be married. After the marriage Fischer will manage and be the musical director for Rajah.

"Fischer will replace (if this happens) Harvey Johnston, who is at present fulfilling these positions."

RESIGNS TO COMPETE.

Chicago, Jan. 19.

To organize another "local" in competition with the one now here as a part of the White Rats Actors' Union, is the statement coming from John Budzilini, former secretary of Local No. 4, Actors' Union. The new local will be formed, if it is, without the sanction of the American Federation of Labor.

Mr. Budzilini was initiated into the combined order last Friday evening, when a general initiation occurred of the old No. 4 members. Saturday Budzilinl resigned, after as reported having demanded payment of a claim of \$200 he alleges is due him for services rendered to the old union, saying provision was not made for that payment upon the amalgamation being effected.

"REVERSE ENGLISH" PLAYS.

"Thais," with Constance Collier and Tyrone Power, is the next Joseph M. Gaites production, opening Feb. 13. in Philadelphia. Fifty players will take part.

A report says the scenery from the Liebler warehouse is at Galtes' disposal, there is a belief the Lieblers are anxious that the "Thais" production shall succeed. The Shuberts book the Liebler attractions. Klaw & Erlanger houses play Gaites' pieces. It is something akin to the "reverse English" of vaudeville's "blacklist."

"GOLD MEDAL" HEADLINERS.

At the Colonial this week a fourpage pamphlet is inserted in the program, calling attention of patrons to headliners billed for the next three weeks, and including Genee, the present one at the house

Next week Nat Goodwin heads, to be followed Jan. 30 by Valeska Suratt and Co., and Eva Tanguay, Feb. 6. Each of these is termed by Dave Robinson, the resident manager, a "gold medal headliner."

The last page of the pamphlet is taken up by the question "Which do you think will draw the most?" No coupon is attached.

The arrival of Genee and Goodwin in vaudeville at the same house for consecutive weeks has started gambling on the drawing powers of each. Opinion seems to be about evenly divided, wagers having been placed at evens.

A wager of \$500 has been made by Percy G. Williams, according to one story, on the best drawing card of the quartet of headliners. One or two have taken the contest seriously and have expressed the intention of lavishingly billing themselves individually for the Colonial engagement. Mr. Williams has made no objection to this, and might have placed his money on the strength of it.

The advance sale for Goodwin up to Monday presaged a larger return in the box office for the comedian. Genee seems to be a matinee favorlte. At the Monday matinee there were 200 women in the gallery, with the sale for her stay this week running largely to the afternoon. Goodwin's advance is nearly all for the night shows.

Genee may remain in vaudeville seven or eight weeks. Among the towns which have secured the dancer through Pat Casey are Buffalo and Toronto, where she will appear in the Shea theatres weeks of Feb. 13-20.

CHARTER ORDER NULLIFIED.

Chicago, Jan. 19.

The American Federation of Labor has served notice upon the Moving Picture Operators' Union of the loss of its charter. The union has been ordered to appear and justify the acts leading to the proposed revocation.

Dissension has been continual over jurisdiction of the machine operators between the electricians and stage forces. To hold the 150 licensed operators in organized labor, the Theatrical Stage Employees Union has given Picture Operators' Union No. 145 right to apply for charter, same having been issued by Illinois state authorities.

SUPERVISION IN BELGIUM.

Paris, Jan. 9.

The authorities in Brussels have issued the following circular:

"A police captain and assistant will in future be present at the first performances of all shows, and will report to the Magistrates the following morning before 10 o'clock if there is any objectionable feature, either in gesture or words, in an act or song presented."

PROTECTION BY COPYRIGHT OF ORIGINAL MATERIAL

William Grossman, the Attorney, Suggests it as Against Piracy on Stage or by Publication. New Copyright Law the Means.

Nat M. Wills, the monologist, who is known to pay large sums of money for original writings of service to him upon the stage (where he appears as a monologist) has found the way to protect his material.

William Grossman, the theatrical attorney, of House, Grossman & Vorhaus, has advised Mr. Wills that his monolog reduced to manuscript may be copyrighted as such, and the publication of any portion, or the use by "borrowing" for stage purposes, could be prosecuted.

"The new copyright law provides for the protection of originality," said Mr. Grossman this week to a VARIETY representative, "and expressly covers a case such as Mr. Wills presents.

"Where it may be proven that the matter copyrighted is original, there will be no difficulty in stopping the use of it without permission.

"The new copyright law," continued Mr. Grossman, "even provides that where a combination of old and new matter is copyrighted, while the old material could not be stopped from use, the new matter joined with it receives the full protection of the law."

The necessary steps are being taken by Mr. Wills to protect himself. Wills pays Vincent Bryan \$100 weekly to supply him with amusing matter, and but recently paid another writer \$500 for some "talk" submitted that he accepted.

The main principle Mr. Wills is working upon is the securing of a copyright to prevent newspapers appropriating his jokes and stories as "Comedy" reading matter for their columns. A short while ago a Chicago paper printed nearly the entire new monolog Mr. Wills has been using since returning from England, although he has not appeared in Chicago this season. The New York American in its Sunday edition repeated many of Mr. Wills' jokes.

The Sunday American fathers the New York Evening Journal, which gives especial attention to vaudeville, sollciting advertisements weekly from acts appearing at vaudeville houses, besides having a representative who offers to attend to other special services for them.

New Haven, Ct., Jan. 19.

It is stated that papers will be served today upon Roland West, appearing at Poli's in "The Underworld." The action has been taken under the new copyright law by Robert McCullough, author of "The Third Degree." He claims an infringement by West upon his piece, first played by William Courtleigh. Lately, Frank Mayne has appeared in it.

"The Underworld" and "The Third Degree" are protean pieces, the former a new production this season by Mr. West.

MET A COMMITTEE.

Chicago, Jan. 19. J. C. Conderman (manager of the Julian) who closed the entire bili (excepting Coin's Dogs) at his house last week, met a committee of White Rats at the Chicago office of William Morris regarding the affair.

Coin's Dogs refused to be closed, and remained. Several "single" wonien have been closed of late at the

The gist of the conference seems to have been that Conderman signed an agreement that during the next two years he will not close acts without cause, to be decided through a hearing, if requested, and also agreed to pay the canceled acts of last week full salary.

A report says that several affidavits helped the manager to reach a de-

James C. Matthews of the Morris Chicago office is said to have bowed towards the grand stand as he announced that the "unsatisfactory" clause in the Morris contracts issued here would be taken out.

ANOTHER THEATRE ANNOUNCED. Milwaukee, Jan. 19.

Announcement has just been made that a new theatre will be built here which will be named the Gayety. Fred A. Landeck, principal stockholder in the Gayety, Minneapolls, is president of the company which controls the proposed house; Harry Harris and William E. Mick, the present manager of the Gayety here, are interested.

A 99-year lease has been secured by Mr. Landeck of the southeast corner of Third and Wells streets where a new \$500,000 building will be con-The lease takes in the American Moving Picture theatre on Third street and the Slaughter hotel. The deal is the biggest chronicied in Milwaukee since Pat Cudahy bought the opposite corner from the Litt estate eight years ago.

EAST WITH BRIDE.

Chicago, Jan. 19.

Tuesday Charles E. Bray, general manager of the Western Vaudeville Association. left for a visit to New York, his bride accompanying him.

Mrs. Bray was formerly private secretary to her husband. They were married recently at the home of W. S. Butterfield, Battle Creek, Mich.

TRYING MUSICAL COMEDY. Chicago, Jan. 19.

Musical comedy in stock will be tried next week when the College theatre company will put on "Forty-five Minutes from Broadway,"

DIVIDING ROGERS AND KOLB ACT.

The vaudeville managers think they made a little money for themselves this week, through a probable division of the Max Rogers and W. Clarence Kolb act, by which there wili be two vaudeville turns playing the "cheese" or "delicatessence" scene from "The Summer Widowers." Each of the partners will head a half, one going west while the other remains in the east.

The price for the first number, presented at the Fifth Avenue a couple of weeks ago was \$2,000. Some of this was needed for the author, some more for Lew Fields (who gave "his kind permission"), and some of the rest to find its way to the Shuberts (also in on the "kind permission" thing with Fields). What was left the partners were to divide after settling with a rather large company.

Doubling the act, it is expected that everyone will be more perfectly at ease with himseif.

OPERATED IN A HURRY. (Special Cable to VARIETY,)

London, Jan. 19.

Little Alice McNaughton, daughter of Tom McNaughton and Alice Lloyd, is recovering slowly from a serious operation for appendicitis, performed four weeks ago, without the knowledge of her parents.

The case was so urgent, the family physician advised the operation immediately, securing a well known specialist to perform it. After consultation, is was deemed advisable to withhold the facts of the operation until it should have been proven successful or otherwise, the girl's parents being so far away (America).

Mr. McNaughton was informed a couple of days ago.

Not until Wednesday of this week, when a reassuring cable reached Mr. McNaughton, who is with "The Spring Maid," did he acquaint his wife of the danger her daughter has passed.

Little Alice was left in England at a young women's boarding school. She is a robust girl, inclined towards athietics. Miss Lloyd is at the Orpheum, Oakland, Cal., this week.

TROVATO FLOPS.

Jan. 30 at the American. New York. Trovato, the violinist, a "United act" for a couple of seasons, will appear in "the opposition theatre."

A contract for three weeks, issued through Hugo Morris, is held by the violinist, who set his price for further engagements in "United houses," declining all overtures that did not meet his figure.

Trovato started over the circuits a couple of seasons ago. He was "discovered" by Harry Bissing.

It is reported that Trovato has engaged with the Morris circuit for \$500 weekly, and signed to appear over the same time for twenty-five weeks next season. He is booked for an early appearance at the Paiace, London.

Gennaro's Band is another "United" number engaged for the Morris time. It will open Monday at the American, under a contract to play five weeks for "the opposition."

A RARE-VERY RARE-CASE.

Fourteen years ago, when Jo Paige Smith and Clint Wilson were partners together in the agency business down Union Square way, they adjusted the profits by the first one down in the morning, taking the receipts of the business found in the mail that morning. Sometimes both were there before the postman arrived, but that is beside the story herein to be related, bringing to light, as it does, the faithfulness of a partnership that was an important one in its day.

Since dissolving Mr. Smith has continued to be an agent, while Mr. Wilson's path of recent years has taken a wider range, reaching Kansas City for a spell. Just now both of the former partners are in New York.

Monday, as Mr. Smith was patrolling Broadway, looking for acts "laying off," one Campbell, a colored man (years ago of Campbell and Beard, musical act), stopped the agent, insisting that he accept \$6.25, past due commission, for over ten years. It was one of those accounts that never came through the mails. Messrs. Smith and Wilson had quite forgotten it-if they ever remembered the partnership.

As though this wasn't wonderful enough in the show business, when Mr. Smith saw Mr. Wilson Tuesday. he told him about it. Whether Jo was afrald to hold out on Clint through fear of Campbell perhaps letting it out, of course doesn't appear on the record, Jo getting credit along with Campbell, but anyway, Mr. Smith told Mr. Wilson he was entitled to his one-half, thereupon tendering his one-time on the big time partner, \$3.

So far so good, but Mr. Wilson rises to inquire if he were a full 50-50 partner with Jo Palge, why did he stand to be trimmed for the twelve-and-onehalf cents. Clint says the thing was so sudden-like; that Jo slipped him the coin before the shock had passed. Still Clint thinks that if he had thought twice, there would have been an argument anyway, whether he or Jo Paige should have had the thirteen cents out of the remaining quarter. Mr. Wilson admits he would rather pass down into posterity as a good sport than to make a holler for twelve cents from a fellow who can think as far back as fourteen years, with over six dollars in cash on his

By Thursday evening the payment of the back commission on behalf of Campbeli and Beard to Smith & Wilson-that was had cost Mr. Smith \$18.75, and Mr. Wilson \$2.95,

COMEDY FOR COUPLE.

Werba & Luescher have selected a three-act comedy for Jack Norworth and Nora Bayes. The piece is named "The Match Maker," written by W. J. Hurlburt.

The cast cails for eight people, and will be played without a chorus or any singing beyond that indulged in by three of the principals.

The show is to be in readiness for a spring showing, maybe.

EASTERN WHEEL'S NEW SHOW MADE MUCH MYSTERY OF

Positive Report from Philadelphia Show is Forming.

Denials in New York. Big Managers in "The

Wheel" on the "Outside" Know Nothing.

Tuesday some Eastern Burlesque Wheel people thought there would be a new show on the circuit with the opening of the Columbia, Chicago; others thought not, and others were not sure either way.

The uncertainty seemed to arise after the publication of a wire from Philadelphia in Variety, last Saturday that John G. Jermon was about to rehearse over there a new, production for the Eastern Wheel. Jermon and L. Lawrence Weber were mentioned as the proprietors.

Tuesday, Sam A. Scribner, general manager of the Columbia Amusement Co., said he knew nothing about a Jermon-Weber show: that no new show would be placed in the Eastern Wheel, unless it was found necessary through the Wheel not being able to lose one of its western houses. That would permit the Columbia to slip into the vacancy. But, added Mr. Scribner, if the new show did go out, it would be under the management of the Columbia Co.

Mr. Scribner did not seem to know, but others who did said that an act and some minor principals had been engaged for the Jermon production. Mr. Scribner did state, however, that if another show should be launched, probably Mr. Jermon would attend to the production end.

It was storied around Monday that the reported granting of a franchise to Messrs. Weber and Jermon had aroused considerable opposition in the "other faction" of the Eastern Wheel, and that this opposition had made itself immediately evident. One Eastern Wheel manager stated that while there would be no dissension against the granting of a franchise that re paid the Columbia Co., the usual \$100 royalty weekly, he did not see why Jermon and Weber should have the show without that condition or through bidding it in at an auction sale of the rights.

Some weeks ago when the subject of a new show with the entrance of the Columbia into the circuit was broached to an Eastern Wheel executive, he mentioned that the Columbia Co. expected by that time the Metropolis (Bronx & Hurtig & Seamon's) would be ready to drop out of the route sheet. The Columbia could then close up the void.

No Eastern man appeared to know what western theatre playing the Eastern Wheel attractions would likely go. Scribner did not mention the house he referred to. The only theatre under suspicion in the west is the Alhambra, Chicago. That theatre has been doing a very good business all season, according to reports, though not credited as a money maker last season, when it also housed Eastern attractions.

Mr. Jermon was expected in New

York Wednesday. Mr. Weber had nothing to say.

The new Columbia is due to open about March 1.

Philadelphia, Jan. 19.

John G. Jermon is in charge of the extra show on the Eastern Burlesque Wheel for the Columbia Amusement Co. This was stated Tuesday, and it was also positively said at the same titme that the new show will open the New Columbia, Chicago.

Jermon is now engaging people. The show starts rehearing Jan. 30.

If the above wire from Philadelphia is as positive as it sets forth, the breach between the two factions of the Columbia Amusement Co. will be considerably widened. The "outside faction" had no knowledge on the subject whatsoever Wednesday. Several in that collection of malcontents believe they should be apprised of important movements,

The "Voting Trust" which governs the Columbia Co. is the cause of much discomfort among those of "the faction," which is reported as having grown much stronger within the past weeks.

There are sub-rosa rumblings of important happenings to shortly make themselves known in Eastern Wheel circles.

BAD ACCIDENT AT COLUMBIA.

Chicago, Jan. 19.

One man was killed and three injured at the now building Columbia theatre when part of a scaffolding fell Tuesday afternoon. Five other workmen saved themselves by clinging to a beam.

Plasterers were finishing the proscenium arch when a cross-beam of the superstructure supporting the scaffold broke.

The Columbia is the new burlesque theatre for the Eastern Wheel.

DENIES AGAIN.

Philadelphia, Jan. 19.

Is. Kaufman, of Miller & Kaufman, who hold the lease of Forepaugh's theatre, places emphatic denial on the report that the theatre is to be taken over by the Western Wheel (Empire Circuit) as a burlesque house next season.

Mr. Kaufman states that he holds a lease for the next five years and has no intention of replacing the present policy of vaudeville and pictures with any other class of entertainment.

MISS WALSH BACK TO "DUCHESS."

"The Dainty Duchess" will regain May Walsh next week. She replaces Margie Hilton. REPLIES TO SINGER.

Jack Singer evidently greatly unsettled Addison Burkhardt, when the article appeared in Variety last week which mentioned the latter.

A portion of Mr. Addison's retort is published below. The remainder enters under the heading of "extraneous matter, irrelevant, immaterial, and not relating to the matter at issue":

New York, Jan. 14.

Editor VARIETY:

I cannot adequately express the surprise I felt when my attention was called to an article on "piracy" which appeared in your issue to-day. That Jack Singer should make such a charge against one who had been of service to him in the past was to be expected.

Some two years ago (as Singer admits) he called upon me to "fix up" his show at the Olympic theatre. I did so out of regard for Mr. Singer that having been my first experience in the burlesque field and I hope, my last.

There is a grim law of compensation that slowly works out its relentless plan—hence my punishment for having traveled from the straight and Broadway path into the lane of tights and tribulations.

And now, after having written one of the season's successes in the legitimate field, he accuses me of appropriating certain wheezes from the entertainment which I helped to bolster.

As a matter of fact there are very few "gags" in "The Sweetest Girl in Paris," my book relying chiefly on situations, characterizations and story, which have met with the highest praise from the Chicago critics. If there are one or two "gags" in it which also appear in Mr. Singer's show you may rest assured they are not of his or his comedian's invention.

What I regret is that he did not accuse me outright of plagarism, as that would have placed me in a category with Shakespeare and Beaumont and Fletcher—the Hough and Adams of their day.

In conclusion, let me say that Mr. Singer is merely peeved because I tried to secure his comedian, Mr. Kennedy, for a comedy part in a forthcoming two dollar production.

Addison Burkhardt.

Barney Gerard is out with his customary denial, going into minute details in an attempt to disprove Mr. Singer's statements regarding him. Mr. Gerard says his attorneys are going to investigate.

BUCKNER'S IDEAS.

Buckner, the actor-agent-manager, is a person of ideas. This week when a VARIETY, representative quizzed Buckner as to what would next come forth, he said "What do you think of the Cadillac for a vaudeville theatre?"

It was night and the streets were lighted when the reporter came to.

"AEROPLANE GIRL" FALLS.

Minneapolis, Minn., Jan. 19.

The matines audience at the Gayety was plunged into what only kind fate prevented from being grim tragedy Sunday afternoon.

Soaring over the parquet in the talons of a huge papier mache eagle, with the house as dark as night, Alta Phipps of "The Star and Garter" show fell to the floor of an aisle with the great bird and a tangled mass of cables on top of her. Outside of a scalp wound, Miss Phipps escaped uninjured. Two or three men sitting close to the aisle received bumps and scratches.

A big audience was panic stricken for a moment, but the lights were quickly turned on and the extent of the damage made known. The last song was cut short and the audience filed out.

The accident was said at the box office to have been caused by the breaking one of the rods supporting the great crane which swings the eagle and the girl over the audience. The crane tipped over and fell to the stage with a crash, its long steel arm extending out to where the eagle struck. But that the rod bent before breaking, thereby lowering the girl to within 10 or 12 feet to the floor, she and others might have been seriously injured. A moment before the accident Miss Phipps was soaring level with the balcony.

FRED IRWIN DELIBERATING.

Fred Irwin, the Eastern Wheel burlesque manager, is deliberating whether to accept offers made for his two shows on the Wheel.

Propositions have been placed before Mr. Irwin for both shows. His mining interests may interfere for next season with the personal supervision he has always given the Irwin productions. It is possible he may dispose of his "Big Show," retaining "The Majestics."

JULIA SINCLAIR INJURED.

Philadelphia, Jan. 19.

Julia Sinclair, who until a few weeks ago was a principal member of L. Lawrence Weber's "Parisian Widows," was severely injured by falling on the ice, receiving a broken wrist and two broken fingers. Miss Sinclair has been spending the holidays at the home of her parents in Syracuse. It was there she was injured.

ONE WEEK PLENTAH.

One week was the length of time George S. O'Brien remained with Albee, Weber & Evans, the agents attached to the United Booking Offices. Mr. O'Brien did not remain long enough in the three-firm to sign the articles of agreement. Now he is again back with the "opposition," booking as a free lance.

Mr. O'Brien says he concluded to quit the A. W. & E. concern when he found that admission to the manager's room in the United suite was not freely granted him. He suspected the United people looked upon him with suspicion through having arrived via "Morris." So George went right back again.

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Dr. Cook has not yet been billed for Hammerstein's.

Tom Gillen is not at the Fulton, Brooklyn, this week.

Saharet is announced to four the United States next season.

Lew Fields' "Hen Peckers" is due to open next week out of town.

Albert R. Loattarelli is the new treasurer at the Lincoln Square.

Tom Conki, an English tenor, will replace Laurence Rea in "The Spring Maid."

Mary Hampton in "Peggy" will play the Fulton, Brooklyn, next week.

Canfield and Carleton are going over the Pantages Circuit, opening Feb. 2. at Calgary.

John Lawson's appearance in "Humanity" over here has been set back until Feb. 27.

Paly Sanders' agency case was adjourned Tuesday, when called in Special Sessions.

Tom Seabrooke will return to vaudeville, in a comedy act, placed by Jack Levy.

Irene Franklin will headline the bill at the Majestic, Chlcago, some time next month.

The Three Brothers Lloyd returned to England on the Lusitania, salling last Wednesday.

Lucille Mulhall and her "Wild West" act are under the booking direction of Jack Levy.

Trainer and Wixon refused to open the show at the Fifth Avenue this week, leaving the bill.

The Calba Trio, now on the Continent, will play the Sullivan-Considine Circuit, opening in May.

Kremka Bros. open on the Orpheum Circuit March 12; The Novas Jan. 23. Paul Durand dld the booking.

Ida Barr, a singing English comedienne, is in New York negotiating for time. She is well known abroad.

Dorothy Dainton has arranged a new act, in which she will appear the first half of next week at the Orpheum, Yonkers.

Mr. and Mrs. St. Belmo Hattrick will celebrate the 25th anniversary of their wedding Jan. 25 at 255 West 43d street, New York.

Valeska Suratt and H. Fletcher Norton were married Jan. 14 in New York. Mr. Norton is Mrs. Norton's leading man in her vaudeville act.

Vivian Fidelle Cohen's engagement to Bert Dawson, a young business man of New York, is announced by Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Cohen.

Al Jolson has cancelled three weeks of southwestern time. He came to New York the early part of the week to be operated upon.

Rinaldo, the violinist, is due to arrive in this country on the Lusitania. Jan. 31. He opens with the Jack Singer show in St. Louis, Feb. 6.

Elsie Boehm has been booked for the Orpheum time to open Jan. 29. The deal was made through her husband-agent, Paul Durand.

Ben Jansen is recovering from his attack of pleuro-pneumonia. "The Bowery Burlesquers" will have its principal comedian back in a few

Harry Mayo has engaged to appear with the next Lew Fields' summer show, to start rehearsals in April. It is aimed for a warm weather run at the Broadway.

Mona Raymond was taken ill in Louisville last week, temporarily retlring from Hasting's "Big Show." She will return to the company within a few days.

Bud Fisher, the cartoonist, has opened offices in the Gaiety Theatre building, so as to be in closer touch with theatrical affairs in which he is to become interested next season.

Harry and Kate Mitchell, an act from the west, are at Yonkers this week, for their first eastern showing. Alf T. Wilton is handling the bookings.

The Ford Sisters have dissolved partnership. Cissy Ford will soon appear in a sketch, specially written

Henry Troy, Jimmy Europe and three other colored entertainers compose the quintet making things lively at the new Berry Rathskeller in the Columbia Theatre Building.

Emma Dunn, for three months with "Mother," will appear at the Orpheum, Brooklyn, next week in "The Baby," a sketch requiring four people. Alf T. Wilton placed the act.

Corse Payton commenced announcing Wednesday at the Plaza that he would appear at that house next week in his vaudeville sketch, advising the patrons to watch out for him.

Bertie Herron's new turn is designated as "Impressions of English Comediennes and Comedians." Among them will be those of Jack Pleasant, Marie Kendall and Daisy James.

Helen Grantley is to make a return trip over the Orpheum Circuit, opening Jan. 29 at Duluth. Miss Grantley will again appear in the Zangwill sketch, "Never, Never Land."

"Scrooge" without Tom Terris has been placed in the middle west by Irving Cooper. It will go over the Sullivan-Considine circuit in the spring. J. C. Clark, who was "The Ghost," will take the leading role.

Jas. V. Clifford, one-time treasurer of the Plaza, will make his debut as a producer in conjunction with Bob Irwin. The offering will be in the nature of a comedy drama of college life with three people.

"The Son of Solomon," in which Gordon & North are to feature Hugh Herbert, is to have its opening at Fall River, Mass.. In the company will be Margot Williams and Thomas Everett.

Owing to an error in the program at the Fifth Avenue, VARIETY'S review of "The Sliver Bottle" in issue of Jan. 14, stated Eugene Moulan played the elevator boy. The part was taken by Hugh Flaherty.

Lou Anger starts on a return of the Orpheum Circult July 11 next, opening at Spokane, to play west for thirty weeks. Eckert and Gordon commence the tour Feb. 19 at Kausas City. Pat Casey put both the acts over.

Alec Hurley has declared himself a bankrapt in England, with liabilities of about \$7,000, no assets. Mr. Hurley stated on examination that he is at present playing for \$275 weekly. Hurley came over here some time ago, appearing for a few weeks.

Earl Flynn and Nettie McLaughlin. through Harry Rose, have signed to play ten weeks for Sherek Braff. opening at the Folies Bergere, Paris. The couple are at present with "The Behman Show." They will leave for Europe the last week in June.

Sylvia Hahlo has been advanced to the Important post of private seere tary to Martin Beck. In the New York headquarters of the Orphenni Miss Hahlo has moved along towards Mr. Beck's office, now accupying the chair warmed for so long by Julius Mizener, who left the Orpheum Circuit a couple of weeks ago, -

PANSY ANN'S PREMIERE. BY DARL MACBOYLE.

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By DARL MACBOYLE.

Now. Pansy Ann McGinnia, a maid of uncertain age Chrished in ber beart, a yearnian. "Twas to elevate the stage. In a laundry, where she labored for a paitry seven per. She proclaimed that she had talent and the crowd agreed with her. On the nature of that talent, sad to say, they disagreed: Some maintained, to demonstrate it, a wash board was all she'd need. But Pansy said, "Yer kiddin'! I don't take your jokes to heart! I can make good in the business if I only get a start!" When homeward in the evening, she would wend her weary way, Her path led past a show shop where a burlesque troupe held sway. A sign thereon, when passing, her delighted eye espied: "Amateurs on ever Friday. Applicants inquire inside." In she went with fail trin footsteps and they gladly took her name: In she went with fail trin footsteps and they gladly took her name: In she went with fail trin footsteps and they gladly took her name: In she went with fail trin footsteps and they gladly took her name: In she went with fail trin footsteps and they gladly took her name: In she went with fail trin footsteps and they gladly took her name: In she went with fail trin footsteps and they gladly took her name: In she went with fail trin footsteps and they gladly took her name: In she went with fail trin footsteps and they gladly took her name: Ann and the she had a brand new phonograph, And Pansy boucht a record that she thought would make them laugh. Twas of a modest little maid, who from the country came, And needed but to cast a giance to set men's hearts affame. She played it o'er each morning and then again at noon, And several times each evening 'till she thought she knew the tune. She labored 'till the "wee sma' hours upon a dress of white. And on the job with quaking heart was Pansy, Friday night.

A crowd of heartless chorus girls said they. The thing for you is tights' "Nix on the chiffon stuff!" said they. The thing for you is tights. "Nix on the chiffon stuff!" said they. The thing for you is t

VARIETY

AGAINST THE INTERSTATE.

Little Rock, Ark., Jan. 19.

There is a rumor that SullivanConsidine are negotiating for the
Capital theatre here, now playing
combinations. S-C will give "pop"
vaudeville in the house, if secured.

The rumor also says the "small time" western circuit is endeavoring to secure theatres in the south for its vaudeville, that will parallel the Interstate chain, if all the deals go through.

COLISEUM ALL RIGHT NOW. Newark, N. J., Jan. 19.

Though F. F. Proctor found he could not play Sunday shows at the Collseum, this city, in opposition to the Krueger's Auditorium, Feiber & Shea placed a bill there last Sunday, which ran off without interference.

'The Sunday only performances will be kept up, with bookings from the Feiber & Shea agency. Eight acts appear.

"BOOKS" AGAIN.

James Clancey, the agent, and Phil Throop, of the Hartford "Union," will shortly offer the comedy sketch "Books" for vaudeville again. Mr. Throop is the author of the piece, in which Harry Tighe appeared a season or so ago.

The present cast, at present rehearsing, is Lillian Maynard, Thomas Simpson, Wm. F. Poweli, Joseph Fischer and Roy Phillips. Glunio Socola is directing the staging.

AFTER OTHER LEGITS.

An outside "digger" for one of the agencies in the Long Acre Building is reported as on the trail of two stars in the legitimate with the view of gaining their consent for a vaude-ville appearance.

Those who have been approached are believed to be Mrs. Leslie Carter-Payne and William Hawtrey.

Mrs. Carter will play at the Circle, New York, next week, with a route in the Shubert houses of the bigger cities booked for her during the next two months.

"DON QUIXOTE" A GREAT WORK. Paris, Jan. 9.

"Don Quixote" in operatic form was produced Dec. 29 by the great master, Massenet.

The composer was evidently well inspired for he has given music lovers a work of great beauty and shown the Spanish hero in another lofty phase.

Henri Cain, after LeLorrain, has written a clever libretto with the knight errant in a pathetic role.

Certainly Don Quixote was too good for the world he lived in, and would not have had a chance in the present age. Upon the return of the stolen necklace by the Don (who beards the thieves in their den) to Dulcina, he fails to win her heart and later in the forest dies in the arms of faithfui Sancho.

Marcoux's Don Quixote created a deep impression, Fugere, an amusing Sancho, and Mile. Arbeit as Dulcinea sang and acted fascinatingly. Ken,

DIES FROM BURNS.

Zanesville, O., Jan. 19.
Herbert Van Dusen, of Chicago, the
vaudeville actor frightfully burned in
the explosion at the Palace Hotel, died
at the Bethesda Hospital Jan. 16.

Van Dusen was cleaning clothes in his room, prior to his opening at the Orpheum with Genevieve Schrader and Eleanor Otis in "Devere of the Chorus," when he accidentally dropped a match into a basin filled with explosive.

The deceased was 24 years old, and was with Guy Bates Post in "The Bridge" last season.

INVENTING FOR VAUDEVILLE.

Felix Woolstein, of 105 East 96th street, is the inventor of a new game called "Lawn Checkers." The new amusement is played with giant checkers about two feet in circumference with large metal loops on their face. The players stand on raised platforms with long poles on which hooks are fastened and make the moves on the board.

The inventor is at present making efforts to secure Christy Matthewson, who, in addition to being a baseball wonder, is a devotee of the checker board and to have him appear in vaudeville in conjunction with Dan Scully, the blind expert. The idea would be to play match games and offer to meet all comers. A mirror arrangement much after the fashion of that employed by the billiard and pool experts would be used in the act.

EXTENDS AVIATION MEET.

San Francisco, Jan. 19.

The weather is now clear and the aviation meeting here is a big success. It has been extended until Jan. 23.

DOC STEINER'S REPLY.

Old Doctor Steiner undid his pen and ink Monday, and let fly a reply to Clifford C. Fischer, the former Marinelli agent, who wanted Doc to go in partnership with him for an international representation of all the acts and all the houses in the world. Mr. Fischer knows them nearly all by name, and has given mearly all of them something to remember him by.

Fischer's idea was to have Doc book over here while he (Fischer) would attend to the business on the other side. Fischer offered to deposit Doc's share of the earnings across the water in the hands of Franz Steiner, manager of the Wintergarten, Berlin.

When Our Own Doc grabbed the pen he wrote as follows:

Dear Fischer:

"Your proposition at hand, and I think mighty highly of it. Your fairness in assuring me that you will place my share of all commissions in the hands of my brother impels me to be equally square with you.

"When we enter into partnership, I shall place all the money coming to you over here with your brother, Alexander, in New York."

(This is funnier than the other story, but to get the real humor, ask Cliff Berzac.)

COHN CIRCUIT UNWORRIED. San Francisco, Jan. 19.

The promoters of S. Morton Cohn's ten-cent circuit are not worried from their statements over the contemplated opposition in the same admission grade of variety houses by Pantages and Considine. That opposition is not accepted seriously by the Cohn crowd, who say they will proceed slowly but surely.

A deal was closed by the Cohn people Jan. 16 for the construction of a theatre in Fresno. They have options on two locations in Stockton, another at Pasadena, expect a deal to bring them two in Los Angeles, and have taken the Jose theatre, San Jose.

Zick Abrams, says a report, has been advised by Fred T. Lincoln to remain away from the Cohn combination.

CUT "SUNDAYS" OUT.

Brockton, Jan. 19.

The die has been cast. Harry C. Howard, mayor of this city, has issued word to the effect that no more "sacred concerts" or picture shows will be allowed to run Sunday mights.

Brockton places of entertainment have been jammed on the Sabbath.

A VERY GOOD REASON.

Lafayette, Ind., Jan. 19.

The Chicago branch of the William Morris Circuit cailed all bookings off at the Victoria here this week, presenting as a reason that the management was not paying salaries.

LEGITIMATE TUG OF WAR. Chicago, Jan. 19.

The next month will witness a fine opposition battle between two Morris booked houses and two of Frank Q. Doyle's theatres on the South and North Sides,

This week Amelia and Lloyd Bingham are at the Willard, in opposition to Melbourne McDowell and Virginia Drew Trescott, at the President, offering different examples of "legitimate" tabloids. They remain at these theatres next week, changing the bill; the following fortnight the Binghams go to the Wilson Ave. while McDowell goes to the Morris booked Clark, still in close opposition.

Considerable interest centers in the outcome of the contest. This week at the Hamlin and Kedzie, West Side houses, there is a showing of opposition between Ross and Fenton, featured at the Paul Goudron booked Hanilin, while the Kedzie, "association" booked, has the Four Mortons as headliners.

RECEIVES OFFERS OF MARRIAGE.

With the publication of new-found wealth, left by her first husband, killed in a railroad accident some years ago, Catherine Hayes, heiress to \$50,000 or more discovered, has received several offers of marriage, mostly by mail.

Miss Hayes was unaware of her popularity with strangers, but now has been informed by her attorneys that before accepting the property or another husband, she had better wait until the annulment of her marriage with Edmond Hayes has been passed upon by the courts.

CANS A KING.

Chicago, Jan. 19.

King Coie, the baseball pitcher of "The Cubs" who wanted to start something in vaudeville with Charles H. O'Toole for assistant, broke up the game Monday when he knocked a foul over the left field fence at the Grand. Manager Walter Meekin fined him the rest of the week at the house for poor judgment.

King says that if he were used to the grounds he could send them over the plate, and besides, says the pitcher, in vaudeville the batters are so funny; they sit sideways, loll over and you can never get on to what kind of ball they strike at.

The same evening at White Palace the manager decided he would not need Bert H. Colton again during the contracted engagement.

MIXING THEM UP.

Outside the Rosenquest Fourteenth Street theatre is a big sign which calls the attention of the public to the change of prices, now in vogue at that "pop" house.

It says: "Monday to Friday from opening time to 4.30 p. m., all seats 10c; all other times, box seats 25c; orchestra, 20c; first balcony, 15c; sec ond balcony, 10c."

THREE NEW SKETCHES.

The Dan Casey office evidenced unusual activity this week when arrangements were made under the direction of General Manager Helen Lehman for the production in the very near future of three new sketches.

The first of the pieces will be entitled "The Plain Clothes Man," by James A. Murphy, a New York newspaper man. The story deals with an incident in the life of "Humpty" Jackson, the East Side gang leader. The second will be "The Little Devil," written by William Hamliton Klien, of the Los Angeles Orpheum. The last of the trio is a sketch started by the late Victor Smalley. The title is "The Boss." At present it is belieg completed by Bide Dudley, also a newspaper man.

Another sketch in preparation will be used as the vehicle for the featuring of Helen Ross, niece of Lillian Russell.

KEENAN TO TRY ANOTHER.

Frank Keenan, who created quite a furor in vaudeville in and about New York with his production of "The Oath," will try out a new offering in Paterson next week. The title of the latest sketch is "Man To Man," by Oliver White.

There will be four characters, three men and one woman in the new piece. Mr. Keenan doesn't care to play far from New York, nor return dates in "The Oath."

P. F. GETS A COUPLE.

Bridgeport, Ct., Jan. 19.

The Smith theatre and Taunton (Mass.) opera house have been secured by P. F. Shea (Springfield), who will play Shubert combinations in the houses.

TWO SHOWS DAILY COMMENCING AMONG "SMALL TIME" HOUSES

Beginning of the Creation of a Third Division in Vaudeville. Park, Philadelphia Takes the Plunge.

The upheaval in the "small time" division of vaudeville appears to be at hand through the change of policy in a number of the theatres from three or more shows dally to two perfornances a day, with a slight increase of the usual "small time" admission charge.

The anticipated change is partially accounted for by the vaudeville managers through an over-supply of the atres in that class, and from a desire in the smaller towns to secure seats in advance. Very seldom the third show has been found profitable, especially in the east. On the Pantages and Sullivan-Considine circuits in the northwest the second performance at night generally plays to capacity. The eastern folk have never taken to it.

With the Park, Philadelphia, taking the step this week, other "big small timers" may follow the lead. Speaking for the Loew Circult this week, one of its officers stated no change was contemplated on that circuit, explaining that the playing of two shows daily at the Savoy, Fall River, Mass., was owing to the condition there, Loew booking three houses in the town.

The bigger vaudeville managers are interested in the upward lift of the "small time." The third division created through the better small houses may be the commencement of another "opposition" circuit to the big houses. The gradual increase in price and quality of shows in the smaller houses long ago brought predictions of the present conditions.

The extent to which "small timers" have been employing well known acts has created a shortage in the visible supply, without the larger managers becoming acquainted with the facts.

Phlladelphia, Jan. 19.

The Park, one of the four houses operated by F. G. Nixon-Nirdlinger, is the first of the "pop" vaudeville houses here to cut to the "two shows a day" policy. The management made a big splurge in advertising and billing and secured results, the business taking a big jump with a slight advance in prices.

From 10-20 in the evening, the scale went to 30 for the entire orchestra and two rows in the orchestra circle. the matinee prices remaining the same. Monday night it was almost a turnaway with the matinees Monday and Tuesday. All seats are reserved and can be secured two weeks in advance. The inaugural bill under the new policy included eight acts with Karno's "Music Hall" sketch featured.

The special billing reads "It's Up to Us to Start Something" and it did. It is more than likely that If the plan proves effective it will be followed at the Peoples, Nixon and Standard, the other three houses, though there is

other local managers to follow suit. At the Bijou on Eighth street, where B. F. Keith got his start in Philadelphia, the "pop" style of vaudeville has landed so hard the prices have been gradually raised from 5-10 to 10-20-30, with 25 cents for the orchestra floor on Saturdays. The business has seemed to increase with the ad-

no known intentlon on the part of

offered. Three shows are given with the feature act "doing two." Mrs. "Doc" Munyon and Co. are headlined for Jan. 30. If the two-a-day policy grows it may revolutionize "pop" vaudeville in

vance in prices and quality of the bills

Philly and bring about the triple classlikation which has been mentioned in Variety as the ultimate solution of the overcrowded condition of the

vaudeville field generally.

Chicago, Jan. 19.

The Star will commence playing two-a-day next Monday, having been giving three shows daily under the present management, Jones, Linick & Schaeffer. The house is booked by Eddie Shayne. It is the only one of the firm's group of "small timers" not handled in the bookings by Frank Q. Doyle.

Troy, N. Y., Jan. 19.

The Lyceum recently opened as a "small time" house, is playing two shows daily at 10-25-50. It is reported the Proctor theatre, which has been operating under a "pop" policy, will start big vaudeville shows soon, perhaps next week. Eight acts are the bill at the Lyceum. This week May Ward heads. Edouard Jose is another feature turn.

Chlcago, Jan. 19.

The Fox theatre at Aurora, Ill., booked through Earl Cox. of Chicago, will commence playing twice dally Jan. 23, using eight acts, and charging an admission of fifteen cents.

The Fox has been playing three-a-day, with five acts.

Chleago, Jan. 19.

From the fact that Adelaide Kelm has received offers from Jones, Leneck & Schaefer, of the Star; Hurtig & Seamon, of the Casino, and Walter Shaver, of the Bush Temple, to head stock companies in those houses, the conclusion may be drawn that 10-20 vaudeville is not a rosy proposition at those theatres; but \$600 a week in vaudeville looks better to the blonde beauty than two plays a day and a change every week in stock.

LYRIC, NOT ORPHEUM.

Reading, Pa., Jan. 19.

It is the Lyric, not Orpheum, which reduced its admission at matinees to five cents.

A MANAGER LEAVES AUBURN. Auburn, N. Y., Jan. 19.

Vaudeville is being given at the Burtis Grand on the co-operative plan this week. The management falled to pay last week's salaries, leaving the house without a guiding hand. The show for this week is being given by the actors booked, on a sharing basis.

Vaudeville has held forth at the house since Christmas day. Major P. Seyton Tunison has been the manager and representative of Walter Bentley Ball of Rochester in the operation of the theatre.

Saturday Joe Wood "jumped" the house with an attachment for \$90 due him in commissions. The manager was out of town and did not return. All the Saturday receipts were turned over to the artists and divided prorata, sixteen performers receiving about \$10 each. Saturday night there was a long distance call from Manager Tunison, who stated that he had secured a bill for the following week from the Verbeck office in Buffalo. Monday morning and the actors came, but no manager.

The stage hands and musicians were also shy on last week's pay. Some of the acts upon reaching town were badly bent.

T. P. U. ELECTION.

Philadelphla, Jan. 19.

The second annual banquet of the Theatrical Protective Union, No. 8, of the International Association of Theatre Stage Carpenters was held last Sunday. These officers were elected: Benjamin Harrison, president; Samuel Hayhurst, past-president; William Sinault, vice-president; James Frolich, treasurer.

George Peterson, William Mooney, Benjamin Harrison, Harry Marple and Samuel Hayhurst were appointed a committee to represent the association in the Central Labor Union.

BIG ACTS FOR SMALL TIME.

During the past two weeks the Sheedy Circuit has been booking an unusual number of acts that heretofore have always graced the bills of the houses on the bigger time. Some of those that have been booked include Cliff Berzac's Comedy Circus, Rose Pitnof, "Boys in Blue," "Alfred the First" (chimpanzee), Zena Keife, and Potts Brothers.

Mr. Sheedy stated that the managers in the smaller towns had lately come to realize that bigger acts meant bigger houses and that he would try to keep on raising the standard.

ONE TURNS TO TEN CENT.

Seattle, Jan. 19.

The Lois theatre, owned by the Pantages interests, which has been the home of dramatic stock, opened its doors, Jan. 16, as a "pop" house, at ten cent admission, four shows daily with the continuous plan in operation holidays and Sundays.

The local manager of the Pantages refuses to admit that the Lois is a part of the new Considine and Pantages 10-cent chain.

Mrs. Doc Munyon intends remaining in vaudeville with her quintet act.

LOEW BOOKING NEW LUBIN'S. Rochester, N. Y., Jan. 19.

The Loew Agency will book the three-a-day shows for the new Victoria, opening here Monday. The capacity is 1,600. Admission will be marked at 10-20-25. Maurice H. Kuhn is manager. S. Lubin, the Philadelphia picture maker, is the owner. Loew also places the shows for the Mark-Brock theatres. One is at Buffalo.

The Victoria will play one program for the full week. The opening bill announced is La Vier, Tommy Dugan, Florence Modaen and Co., Spiegel and Dunn, Laurle Orway, Theo. and Her Dandies.

HOLMES TAKES WEBER'S.

Chicago, Jan. 19.

The Weber theatre has been leased by Coney Holmes, who may play "try out" acts there exclusively. It is a scheme talked of often by managers and agents here. Holmes' move is the first realization of it.

The Western Vaudeville Association dallied a little with the Weber, but Holmes now goes it alone.

CHARGE AGAINST MANAGER. Cohoes, N. Y., Jan. 19.

Manager J. Nathanson, of the New Theatre here was arrested and arraigned before Recorder Belanger in police court Monday morning on a charge of petit larceny, made by Carl Anderson, general manager of the Sheedy Booking Agency of New York. The case was postponed until tomorrow when a decision will be handed down.

Anderson claimed the Sheedy Agency had contracted to supply vaudeville attractions to Nathanson for the New Theatre, and that the manager was to collect a commission of 5 per cent. of the gross salary of the acts, forwarding it to the Sheedy-office in New York.

According to Anderson the manager performed all of the services with the exception of remitting.

SCHLESINGER HAS MONTICELLO.

The Monticello theatre, on Jersey City Heights, with a seating capacity of 1,000, has been taken under a tenyear lease by Morris S. Schlesinger. The Ansbach Improvement Co. recently built and opened the playhouse, leasing it to Mr. Schlesinger late last week.

A "pop" policy will be followed, with shows furnished through the Family Department of the United Booking Offices. Mr. Schlesinger will give his personal attention to details of the management. Six acts will be played on a "split" week. Moving pictures for the house will come from the "independents."

Little Viena Bolton closes tonight with the "Swat Milligan" baseball act upstate and arrives in New York next week to rehearse in a new piece which Martin Beck will shortly produce.

"The Derelict" in which Frank Sheridan appeared in vaudeville, is now doing "small time" duty. Fred Clarens is in the role, formerly held by Sheridan.

YOUR IDEAL VAUDEVILLE BILL \$200 IN PRIZES

\$100 for the best bill submitted; \$50 second prize; \$25 third prize \$15 fourth and \$10 fifth.

SELECT YOUR OWN JUDGE

The statement made last week that a bill costing \$19,000 would be impracticable appears to have started discussion. Many letters have been received bearing on the subject, asking this or that question, why, etc.

One iayman expressed the opinion that if the \$19,000 show was an ideal one, what difference the cost. Another suggested that if the American and Orpheum theatres could play to capacity at present prices of from \$14,000 to \$19,000 on the week, why wouldn't a \$19,000 program be practicable from the box office? For, in that case, he said, prices could be marked up at the box office with the

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Write in name only of act.

Mail to Ideal Bill, VARIETY, New York.

VOTE FOR YOUR OWN: JUDGE

The blank space may be filled in with the name of any manager or agent preferred.

Any variety manager or agent in the United States and Canada eligible, including resident managers of theatres. (Any agent, male or female, connected with an agency may be voted for.)

(No vote for a professional or newspaper man will be counted.)

expensive show until the capacity would permit the gross for the week in either house to reach \$35,000 or hexand.

In one of the lefters relating to the \$19,000 bill, the writer requested that all comedy be eliminated from the competition. He said the Ideal Bi'l was a very serious matter, and objected to unfinished programs or any of a humorous nature being printed.

In the vote for Judge this week Pat Casey and William Morris made the largest gains. Only contestants in the race for Judge with ten votes or more to their credit are listed in this issue. The scattering votes below ten are for hundreds of others, all over the country. Space prevents the names being printed.

This week again is published a list of artists with the numbers of times their names have appeared upon an Ideal Bill. Only those with 200 mentions or more to their credit are upon the list. A considerable change has occurred in their positions since the first list appeared.

There are no conditions to the contest. Anyone may submit an Ideal Bill or vote for Judge.

J. C. Williams, of Chicago, utters a protest against the bill submitted by W. S. Butterfield, the Michigan vaudeville manager. Mr. Williams claims Mr. Butterfield erred in saying he could find no one to follow the first half of his ideal Bill. The first hwas made up with Martinetti and Sylvester. Alice Lloyd, Julius Steger and Co., Harry Lauder, and Four Mortons.

"I have filled out the last four acts," says Mr. Williams, "and they can follow any act. Lloyds, Lauders, Mortons or any. My choices for the remainder, of the show are Cliff Gordon, 4 Lukens, Eva Tanguay and Barnold's Dogs.

"I am surprised that a manager would make out such a bill. Stop and think it over. Could that bill balance? Would he play a show like it? I can take the nine acts mentioned and make a great bill."

Mr. Williams adds a "P. S." to his letter, which reads: "Don't publish such stuff. Publish something that is a show. (I was the first to vote for B. F. Keith)."

VOTE FOR JUDGE

Votes Received up to Jan. 18, a. m.)

PERCY G. WILLIAMS..... 1891 PAT CASEY1743 WILLIAM MORRIS1262 JENIE JACOBS 874 MARTIN BECK 396 HARRY LEONHARDT 49 WILLIAM HAMMERSTEIN: 32 JULE DELMAR GEO. F. DRISCOLL 29 CHAS. E. BRAY LOUIS WESLEY HARRY JORDAN 16 JACK LEVY 15 JOS. SCHENCK 15 JOS. C. DOUGHERTY 15 CHAS, J. KRAUS 13 FREDERICK G, ROSEBUSH 12 JOE PEARLSTEIN MARCUS LOEW 10

William Elliott, who successfully created the role of the young lawyer in "Madame X" at the New Amsterdam theatre last season, has been signed by Klaw & Erlanger (or a role in the forthcoming production of "The Pink Lady."

The following is the list of acts which have been the more often mentioned upon ideal Bills received to January 18. No acts mentioned less than 200 times listed:

Annette Kellerman	
Alice Lloyd	
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SIGNS OF THE TIMES.

Chicago, Jan. 19.

The several doors leading from the hallway of the Crilly building to the office of William Morris, Inc., have been a study in sign painting during the past few months. The American Music Hall, William Morris, Inc., and designations of the various Morris enterprises have been emblazoned on the different doors; now they are all uniform, reading "William Morris, Inc., Western Bureau. Owned and Operated by the American Music Hall Co. of Illinois."

This results from the recent new incorporations of the "Morris, Inc." interests here and elsewhere.

The La France, latest addition to the French line, will have when launched, a full sized stage. A company of acts will be carried back and forth for the amnsement of the passengers. Amateur theatricals will also play an important part on the voyages.

HERE'S BILLY GOULD

By William Gould.

Atlantic City, Jan. 17.

After getting a search warrant I found the other man living in Atlantic City this week. Two vaudeville shows, too.

I wish the Lambs and the Friars would amalgamate. They could call themselves, The Lambs Friars.

Fred Ward was offered Jan. 23 in Manila, with Trenton to follow. If he can get Lyna, Mass., to break the jump Fred may take it.

Wasn't even invited to Mrs. Fletther Norton's wedding.

They are trying to produce some of the old time "nigger" acts on Hammerstein's Roof Friday nights and it is really funny to hear some of the younger members of vaudeville refer to them. A case in point "Razor Jim" was billed a week ago. They were playing "The Arrival of Patti."

Up to last Friday no one knew the plot of "Big Foot Wallace." Johnny Ray and J. Bernard Dillon would make it look like a classic on "The Corner."

No, you are wrong. A musician cannot eat with a tuning fork.

Welford's billing in Atlantic City was great. He was billed as the Great Welford. He isn't great, he isn't even "large."

An artist on the blacklist was seen going into the Putnam Building and it was noticed that he got off on the sixth floor (U. B. O.). When he came downstairs some one said "Helio Jim. what are you doing here?" Jim replied, "Oh, I just went upstairs for the ride."

I intended to go to Providence, R. I. this week, but discovered that a traveling salesman with six trunks got there ahead of me. Our large salesman and six trunks would overcrowd such a small state.

The man who wrote "Gee, but this is a lonesome town," must have stopped in Atlantic City for a week in the winter time.

The emblem of Atlantic City should be a picture of a straw hat and a fan, entwined with a bathing suit. Furs are as welcome here as a pinochle deck would be in a church.

My press agent (Lee Harrison) is at work again telling true "stories" about me. By the way, this same good fellow is without a doubt the most popular actor in America. The only actor that I know who mixes with Governors, Mayors, Senators and the very best of politicians.

l walked from one end of the board walk to the other end yesterday. Pretty good exercise, eh? The board walk is only sixty foot wide, from one end to the other.

LONDON NOTES

VARIETY'S LONDON OFFICE

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Mail for Americans and Europeans in Europe, if addressed care VARIETY as above will be promptly forwarded.

London, Jan. 10.

Marie Lloyd sailed Saturday for South Africa, for four weeks at the Empire, Johannesburg.

Ike Rose and his "sister act" are at the Waverly Market, Edinburgh, for the first fifteen days of this month.

Max Ritter has received a photo from the continent of an act over there called "Ritt and Forst." Ritter and Foster were on the continent the past three months.

Harry Taft, the American comedian, sailed last week for America. He has been playing over here for about twelve years. He was home once in that time about four years ago.

Charles O'Conner, the pressman, has left the Palace, doing publicity work on his own.

At the Willesden Hippodrome last week, the pantomime from Bolton, owned by Elliston (a manager in that town) gave a performance twice nightiy. The show is "Jack and the Beanstalk." The company provided is not half bad for this class of pantomime. The connedlans do what they are supposed to do: amuse the children. The bad fairy queen was actually hissed for trying to give Jack the double cross, so she must have been good. The comedians in a pantomime may be funny, but to most of us the Fairy Queens are perfect.

The Drury Lane and Lyceum Pantos are reported to be financial successes.

Bertram Shepphard, the whip expert, is in the Alhambra bill, having given a trial show there a few weeks ago.

Seymour Hicks will produce a travesty sketch shortly, taking for his subject the sketch war now on between the theatrical and music hall managers. Ethel Irving is at present appearing in one at the London Hippodrome.

The business in the halls after the holidays is keeping up very well. The Palace, with Edmund Payne and George Grossmith, is playing to capacity, while the Coliseum (with Lafayette) is still doing the big business. At the Oxford, a big bill headed by Little Tich, is also doing very well, while the Pavilion and the Tivoli do not appear to be overcrowded. The Hippodrome is not up to the mark, either, possibly on account of "The Chicks in the Wood" failing to reach expectations. The new Palladium is doing big business.

Maudie Wood is about to start out as a "single," opening in a week at Karno's Hall, Peterboro.

Ethel Irving was to have played a a boiled-down version of "Dolly Reforming Herself" at the Hippodrome, but the theatrical managers would not permit her. This Miss Irving explains to the audience. The fun is brought about by a fellow made up as a policeman sitting on the side of the stage with what is supposed to be the book of "Dolly Reforming Herself." His duty is to prevent Miss Irving or any members of her company saying any lines that might be in the play. The fun however is only for people interested in some way in the show business. The general public can't see the humor. Miss Irving raves as she generally does but now she raves against the theatrical (legitimate) managers. screeching she will play "Dolly." Her leading man (J. Farren Soutar) exits for a moment, returning as Herbert Tree in his "Trilby" character. This is splendidly done. Tree is the chairman of the Theatrical Managers' Association. Miss Irving pleads to be al-"Tree" lowed to play the sketch. refuses. The curtain is dropped amid the ravings of Miss Irving, who is surely one of our finest little rayers. To anyone interested in the music hall versus the theatre war, this act should be a scream.

Lewis Waller is topping the bill at the new Alhambra, Glasgow, business up there is reported very big.

The Palladium last week had for its attractions Martin Harvey and Madame Edith Walker. Harvey is a legitimate actor, Mme. Walker a famous prima donna. The two acts cost the Gibbons people something like \$5,500. A big bill besides would bring the total close to or over \$8,000. It has been said that if the big hall did capacity business for its twelve performances a week the receipts could go to \$30,000. Business last week at the new hall was good.

John Philip Sousa and his band opened in London last week. Monday the band started on a long trip over the country.

Mrs. Walter Gibbons, the wife of the well known vaudeville manager, died last week in London. Mrs. Gibbons was the daughter of the late Adney Payne, also a music hall manager.

Edmund Payne and George Grossnith appeared in vaudeville in London for the first time last week at the Palace. Both are very well known musical comedy artists, and have a large following. The act the pair are putting over is the subject of much more than pleased the audience. It is the same story as always, when two people like this couple step into a vaudeville theatre to do "an act." The first remark generally heard from anyone connected with the husiness is

PARIS NOTES

BY EDWARD G. KENDREW

Paris, Jan. 10.

The January program at the Alhambra has not changed to much extent, the custom being to run acts a not change of the first and others the 16th. There is not a complete change on the first as hereto. The new arrivals are the 5 Mowatts, a

"If Guppy and Fogg went on and pulled that stuff, they would be closed without a second showing." Still in the opinion of many these comedians (and they are clever) did the wise thing by just getting together a lot of very light nonsense, that they would have no trouble in getting over. Grossmith is a comedian on the "Johnnie" lines. He is probably the best of all in that style of fun-making. Payne is more of an eccentric, and a laugh to look at. The act is going big and drawing them in.

Arthur Bourchier again contemplates a vaudeville tour, most likely around the Varieties Controlling Company halls. It is not known whether Mrs. Bouchie (Violet Van Brugh) will be included

The Ritchie Trio are appearing at the Palace where the comedy cyclists gain in laughs all the time. The freak wheels were startlers for the Palaceites.

"The Palace Girls" last week appeared in a new scene, the black and white idea. The premier "girl act" of England has never shown better. The black and white scenery behind the black and white dresses produce a striking effect. The girls do the rest. They are also still appearing in the surf bathing effect.

G. P. Huntley, the noted musical comedy comedian, has been engaged to tour the Barrasford-DeFrece time very shortly.

Evelyn Millard, an actress, has been placed on the Barresford-De Frece time for an immediate tour.

Dolan and Lenhar have played two weeks and made good, but a question of money is keeping them idle for a while, though a settlement will be reached in a short time, it is expected.

Caryl Wilbur after a few weeks in London, is again touring the Provinces

Dorsch and Russell, and De Coc (two American acts) at the ilippodrome were in first and second positions last week. De Coe opened the show. With his wonderful chair balancing he actually had the audience gasping. The last balance is a startler. It is safe to say that there was never an opening act receiving the ovation given De Coe. Dorsch and Russell also fared very well, the finish with the railroad train in the distance sending them over a good substantial

hit with club juggling; 3 Oxford Boys (formerly of Jackson's Troupe), from the Olympia; Trombettas, Eight Coiini-Clairons, a Vienna dancing troupe, etc. Yvette Guilbert opens Jan. 16 for a fortnight. The Havana acrobatic troup, and Viviani, comedy act, did not open.

The Treteau Royal, a small theatre occupying the Ceylon tea-room (after the cups have been washed-up) has been closed by the police. Francis Robin, the manager, is informed that this was not exactly because it was dangerous but for the region the spectators could sit in a baicony over the stage and witness the show as from the flies. 'The said balcony was tolerated as a foyer during the intermission, but the authorities had previously warned the management that the public could not sit there to see the performance, which good advice was The little house was deignored. voted to sketches, on the lines of the Capucines, and produced some works afterwards removed to the larger music halls. On Robin promising to behave the place will be again licensed. The police are very generous in this respect in France.

Victor Regnard, a comedian much loved by his comrades in this country, died Jan. 5 at the hospital where he was taken after being wantonly shot in a Montmartre cafe, Jan. 2. Like many people who take an active interest in disputes of others, poor Regnard interfered in an argument between another diner and the waiter, receiving a bullet in the stomach for his pains. The murderer is overwhelmed with remorse, but denies he is mentally incapable as his counsel suggests. The deceased was 52 years of age.

Gaby Deslys is now reported as having visited London to undergo an operation for throat affection, and is still suffering, so that she cannot yet appear at the Folies Bergere. Gaby has been booked for the London Alhambra in June next.

The takings at the Casino de Paris have been simply awful during the past two weeks. With the exception of the fete days when the receipts reached about \$300, the nightly records have not exceeded \$100, and often much less. January will decide as to the future of this hall.

There is a movement in France for the registration and control of theatrical and vaudeville agents on the lines of the recent German law. The proposed clauses are almost similar, particularly the rates and payment of commission

The little hall near the Saint Lazare station known as the Pepinlere is closing for transformation and change of direction.

DECISION HELPS INDEPENDENTS

Though stunned momentarily by the granting of a preliminary injunction enjoining the Yankee Film Co., William Steiner, Herbert L. Miles and Joseph Miles (trading under the name Atlas Film Co.), and William Steiner, Charles V. Henkel, Herbert L. Miles and Joseph Miles, as individuals, from using any camera invention that infringed on the Edison Reissue Patent No. 12037, the defendants are burning bonfires of elation this week over the decision of Judge E. Henry Lacombe that the Wagner "Battleship" camera was non-infringing.

According to the affidavits filed by the defendants, the Yankee and Atlas flims are all now made by the use of the Wagner camera, and have been for several months. The action of the court gives these companies a chance to go ahead with their films as though no other ruling had been r.ade.

This is the first direct holding of the court that any commercially used camera does not infringe since the holding to that effect as to the original Biograph camera, in the suit against the American Mutoscope & Biograph Co.

NEW PRODUCING CO.

Los Angeles, Jan. 19.

Another producing company is in the field. The California Motion Picture Co. has been formed and will offer its first release, an industrial, Feb. P. L. Howiand is president of the concern.

The studio and factory are located at Long Beach.

DEFAULTER GIVES HIMSELF UP. New Orleans, Jan. 19.

W. W. Arberry, the young man, whom the Importers' Film Co. charges with absconding with between \$3,000 and \$4,000, going from Birmingham, Ala., to Jacksonville, Fla., gave himself up to the authorities at the Parish Prison.

PICTURES IN AUSTRALIA. Sydney, Dec. 17.

The first of January next should see a big stir in the Australian moving picture world. Already great talk is being handed out by various combinations as to what the new year will bring about. The Pathe people are being boycotted by several prominent firms, with other picture makers to follow if their terms are not accepted.

The J. D. Williams Company is seeking a capital of \$1,000,000 to fight a big combine being brought against it.

Jim Williams, the general manager, states that his firm has been instrumental in making all the big picture people release three times the quantity of film they did, and if his company is successful in combating the big combine, it will mean an all-round benefit for the smaller exhibitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Power and Miss Power expect to leave Jan. 21 for their winter vacation. They will visit Panama, New Barbardoes, San Lucie, Martinique, St. Thomas, Havana, and the Bermudas. The trip wiii last three months.

PICTURES IN SCHOOLS

There is no question that the moving picture is fast becoming a potent part of the curriculum of the American school boy and girl and that it is only a matter of time when films will be exhibited in all the schools of the big cities.

Some of the smaller cities are going on record as having the picture as a new and effective means of instilling knowledge.

When the new Normal School at Kirksville, Mo,. is completed, it will have space for a moving picture exhibit. The Durant school, Oakiand, Cal., announces pictures have been planned for the geography classes. In Cleveland, the authorities have arranged for a continuous series of picture displays in the schools.

S. E. Kramer, director of intermediate instruction in Washington, D. C., has recommended pictures as an adjunct to the public school course. At least eight of the schools in Chicago have instailed pictures. The city council of Baltimore has pictures for the schools there under advisement. In Minneapolis schools the pictures will supplant the phonographs.

Professor Childs, formerly president of the State Normal school at San Jose, Cal., is fostering a scheme to arrange for an exchange of pictures among the schools of San Francisco, Oakland, Berkeiey and Alameda.

From all parts of the United States come reports that various cities are discussing the advisability of pictures in schools.

FILMS TO STOP CRIME?

Chicago, Jan. 19.

There was a private showing of police department moving pictures at the Chicago Opera House Friday afternoon. The films showed the operation of the Bertillion system of identification, showing how prisoners are measured and their distinguishing marks recorded, for identification.

The pictures were prepared by Geo. M. Porteous, who, in 1889, established the system in the United States. With the completion of the new city hail the national bureau, now in Washington, will be re-established here with Mr. Porteous at its head. The decision to show the "Rogues Gailery" in moving pictures was reached after consultation with the principal police authorities of the country. If they are ultimately released as a regular exhibition film, it is believed that they will act as a deterrent upon those who are criminally inclined.

Mrs. Josephine Knowles, of the Bison stock company, is mourning the ioss of her little daughter.

The Revier Company has gone into Utah for color for its 1911 releases.

Adam Kessler, Sr., aged 62 years, father of Adam Kessier, president of the New York Motion Picture Company, president of the Empire Film Exchange and vice-president of the Reliance Film Co., died last Sunday from the effects of a fall on New Year's day which caused concussion of the brain.

"THE RIVAL DRAMATISTS OR COCK-A-DOODLE-DO." (Selig).

DOODLE-DO." (Selly)

There isn't any head or tail to this burlesque of "Chanticler." Were it not for the control of the contro upon for the latter idea, that of the bird and the huge papier-mache imitation

"THE WIDOW'S CHOICE" (Lubia).
Two brothers are rivals for a stunning young widow. Both are called for a business trip. They appoint father to look after the entertaining of the young woman in their absence. Father spruces up. By the time the boys return, he introduces the widow as their new "mama." The subject manages to evoke laughter. The picturing is also worthy of favorable comment. FRED.

"A SIMPLE RUSTIC TALE" (Gaument).
A simple story well told. It is more of an old people's quarrel than anything else, three being a happy finale as the result of a recond the part of one of the old women. In pleture is finely photographed and beautiful; tinted.

MARK.

"TAG DAY AT SILVER GULCH" (Lubin). Many may frown upon the pugnacious attitude of the preacher when he shows scientificuse of his fists and knocks out a burly miner, who would have nothing to do with him, the church, or its teachings. The picture savors of the barroom. The 'tag day' episode is not unlikely. The picture is entertaining, despite the undignified position of the parson.

MARK. "TAG DAY AT SILVER GULCH" (Lubin)

"THE ITALIAN BARBER" (Biograph). Mary Pickford as the central figure, with her cute ways and girlish manner, saves this picture from falling into the discard. A young Italian tonsorial artist "falls" for Alice, the newsgirl, only later to transfer his affections to the sister. The idea is an ordinary one, but fairly well held up. MAIK.

"SO NEAR BUT NOT QUITE" (Pathe).
Two trick cyclists do some amusing we in front of the camera.

MARK

"MAX IS ALMOST MARRIED" (Pathe).
Max Linder, back on the job, after a recent liness, does some excellent comedy work, and the idea of the dapper young man being prevented from being narried through the jeniousy of her canine pets, is an amusing one.

"THE LINK THAT HELD" (Edison).
An ordinary picture in which a married mastands for a lot from his employer.
MARK.

"BUDDY, THE LITTLE GUARDIAN." (Selig). A happy home is disrupted through papa's unquenchable thirst. The mother draws the line. Pop goes out into the world, taking golden-curled, crippled little Buddy with him. Papa goes from bud to worse, then reforms. The curse of drink falls upon him again and he meets with an accident. Buddy gets a job and when despatched on an errand, is rundown by an auto. Buth papa and Buddy inni in the same hospital, where mamma is nurse. Papa dies before his family learn he is there. Another temperance flim that appeals to many living in the same rut. Pairly well photographed. Buddy is well acted. MARK. living in the same rut. Fairi graphed. Buddy is well acted.

"SAVED BY HER PRAYERS." (Pathe.) A girl shows her devout faith in the Grea Spirit by praying that her shipwrecked sweet heart's life be spared. An angel is seen of the bow of the boat piloting it to safety. Trealistic scene is that of the ocean wave who the spirit beautiful to the common wave that of the common wave the common wave that of the commo photography is immense. The film will a spire the religiously inclined and help other MARK.

The Imp Company has invaded Cuba where negatives will be made and likely sent to New York to be printed.

The motion picture exhibitors of Montreal are making a strenuous effort in the courts to reduce the \$500 license. They have been fighting the high license for over a year and expect to win out this year.

P. C. Hartigan, formerly of the Kalem and Vitagraph companies, who "flopped" to the Independents and has of late been a member of the Bison company, has resigned and expects to return to New York. He has been in the far west with the company.

GETTING A START IN VAUDEVILLE

Calabash, Wis., Jan. 10.

Dear Ed:

The week with the pure food show finally came to an end but it seemed like the longest week I ever put in. The manager of the exhibit is a nice He said he was very well satman. isfied with our work and gave us a lot of cakes, cheese wafers and canned goods to take along with us.

We didn't hear any thing from our agents so Pickitt wrote to the manager of Mulligan's Opera House at Calabash, Wis., and fixed this week. Muiiigan's Opera House is not on any regular circuit and does not run every week, but if enough actors drop in to the town to give a show he lets them have it on percentage and they run the show to suit themselves. There are eight acts this week. We have Mc-Phatter, the juggler, Mousley and Batz, strong men, Altuda, The Aeriai Queen, Sam Coke, black face comedian, Siots Bros., human corkscrews, J. W. Pepper, musical comedian, Croso's Cunning Canines, and Pickitt and Pyker.

We won't get a chance to do our double on account of having so many fuil stage acts on the bili, so we each do our single turn in one. We did not give any matinee Monday because nobody came to see the show. At night we took in \$23.50. Half went to Mulligan and the balance divided among the troupe gave us each \$1.07.

We expect to do better when the people find out what a great show we are giving. The Opera house is very damp and dirty. McPhatter says it would be a fine place to raise mushrooms. Most of the opera chairs are broken and have been replaced with soap boxes and nail kegs. No one sits in the first ten rows because they are the 30 cents seats, so a joke has to pass through a lot of broken furniture before it reaches the audience. Muliigan runs a plumbing establishment on the first floor. He sat on one of the tubs last night and looked at the show. He says we will pack the house Saturday night.

No one with the show has anything booked for next week and we have been thinking of keeping the show together and playing some one night stands. McPhatter says he will go ahead and biil six towns, then jump back to the show. We can open in Tollyhock which is only a sixty-cent jump from here. There is a fly paper factory in the town and if we strike it on pay day we will do well. If we have a good house to-night we wiii send to Milwaukee for some paper and start McPhatter out in advance.

Pickitt writes every day to the giri that had charge of the pickle exhibit with the food show and gets a long letter in return. He says she would like to go on the stage and has a very good idea of the business because her uncle is a theatrical shoemaker in St. Louis. Newcom Pyker.

The Carragien Amusement Co., of St. Louis has been formed to deal in films and motion picture machines. capital \$100,000. Incorporators: Jas. B. Carragien, Thomas C. Montgomery and John H. Boogher.

FORUM

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Cleveland, Jan. 17.

Editor VARIETY:

Sketch artist or playlet actor desirious of an entirely unique sensation should not miss playing the Hippodrome, Cleveland.

In our case for example where our own drop and set are used, we found by measuring we were exactly 46 feet and 4 inches away from the first row orchestra chairs—that is to say, our words had to push through 46 feet of air before they struck the first ear. God help the poor word that goes all that distance and misses.

For example the further a word travels through the atmosphere, the hotter it gets, the cause, of course, being friction. It reaches the first row at the Hippodrome, we will say, lukewarm. Should it miss the first row and continue on, it will become hotter and hotter, until its flight may be arrested about the sixth, and burn all the hair off of some poor devil's head. After the sixth row the words burn themselves out entirely and are lost.

You approach the stage door by a down hill alley, paved so that the horses won't slip. Did I say horses? I mean actors, or rather, artists; at any rate you can't fall down-not in the alley. You enter the stage door on to what you think first is the floor of an armory. I discovered later it was the stage. I asked for the stage manager. The door man informed me he had just left for the other side of the stage, "but if it is important," said he, "I will get him on the long distance 'phone."

I told him not to bother and sat down to wait. While waiting I heard great laughter and applause. Turning to the doorman, who was also doubled up with mirth, I was about to ask if the show had started, when he remarked. "That Jack Wilson is surely a funny cuss." "But," said I, "Jack Wilson played here last week." "I know that," says he, "but the audience is so far away the sound of the laughter and applause is just getting back." And so I found it.

Up to Wednesday in quiet spots in our act, we would get roars of laughter, which belonged to some of Wilson's jokes of the Saturday before, and not until Thursday night did we know how our act had gone Monday matinee.

Only one accident marred the week. Monday we had some trouble with the lights and I asked one of our boys to go over and speak to the electrician about it. The poor fellow starved to death on the way.

It's sure some theatre for sketches. A Sketcher.

St. Louis, Jan. 7.

Editor VARIETY

If J. H. Grohvinis is rightly your name I must say it has been hidden. For this is the first time we ever saw a name as near the Four Groviniz, enough alike to be brothers.

We have programs, bills, cuts, pictures, and set that goes with it. To prove our right for the past 64 years of my dad's name have been all over the world and it seems strange if Mr. J. H. Grohvinis would not look Mr. J. Groviniz up.

My people are all on the other side. We were all born in circus business, six generations back on father and mother's side; Elliott being on my mother's side; Groviniz on my father's.

Perhaps we may meet and explanations may be more satisfactory to both sides. Jennie Grovini.

(Selbini and Grovini.)

IMAGINE!

IMAGINE!

By CLIFF B. NELSON.

If all actors had engagements,
And their salaries would save;
If managers, when you were broke,
Their money to you gave—
If critics didn't criticize,
Your work, when it was bad;
If every actor was a star,
And trouble never had,
If there were no one-nighters,
And no early morning jumps;
If you didn't have to play your part,
When feeling in the dumps—
If bum hotels, did not exist,
And Pullman cars were free;
If theatres were always packed,
Not a dead head, there to see—
If the managers, their profits,
With the actors shared each day;
What a grand life this would be for us—
Don't you think sof eh?

"EVERYWOMAN" CAST OUT.

Henry W. Savage has completed the cast for his production of Walter Browne's symbolic morality play, "Everywoman," at present in rehearsal. This will be the largest production that has been made by Mr. Savage since producing "Parsifal:"

There will be a stupendous scenic equipment and an orchestra of fortytwo pieces will be required, as well as a company of more than two hundred people.

In the cast of principals there will be found Laura Nelson Hall, Mrs. Sarah Cowell Le Moyne, Frederic de Belleville, H. Cooper Cliffe, Edward Mackay, Orlando Daly, Sidney Jarvis, Walter Sodereing, McIntyre Wickstad, Hubert Osborne, Detmar Poppin, Barry Maxwell, Charles Hayne, David Estoclet, James Fuller, Paul Herman, John L. Shine, Aurora Piatt, Wilda Bennett, Kathleen Karrigan, Jean Barrett, Suzette Gordon, Pauline Winters, Margaret Collon, Charlotte Carter, Elizabeth McAfee, Betty Bates, Edna Porter, Eleanor Flowers, Corinne Uzell, Vivian Blackburn.

Otis Bowers, a well known minstrel, died Jan. 9 at a sanitarium in Davenport, Ia., penniless. The deceased at one time was part owner in the Beach & Bowers Minstrels.

Mrs. Warren Hebard, mother of Doc and Arthur Armstrong (Three Armstrongs) died Jan. 9 at Washing-

Chicago, Jan. 19.

Al H. Tyrell, a blackface comedian, is reported to have died Jan. 14 at his home in Jackson, Mich. He was well known and popular in this section.

FATHER CALCIUM LIGHT DIES.

Chicago, Jan. 19.

Thomas J. Bentinventry was buried yesterday, having died Monday in this city. He was 75 years of age.

In 1850 Mr. Bentinventry perfected the theatrical calcium light. The following year he travelled as far west as St. Louis, with the first "Black Crook" company. Some years ago the deceased located in Chicago.

Eugene Moulan, brother of Frank Moulan, the comedian, and well known to vaudeville, died at the Roosevelt Hospital last Sunday night. Mr. Moulan was slated to open in the "Silver Bottle" at the Fifth Avenue last week but failed to do so. Saturday night he complained of being ill. On the advice of a doctor he was removed to the hospital Sunday morning, passing away there after an operation Sunday night.

Sydney, Dec. 17.

Will Jones, a brother of "Blutch," died in Melbourne two weeks ago from consumption. Years ago the brothers came to Australia with M. B. Curtis's American Minstrels, the company including Ernest Hogan and Billy Mc-Clain. "Blutch" died some time ago. Will was about 40 years of age at death.

Mrs. Blanche Herman, mother of Selma Herman, died recently in New York and was buried at Greenwood. She is survived by her daughter Selma, and son, A. W. Herman, manager of the "School Days" company.

BILLS NEXT WEEK

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Charles Grapewin & Charles Grapewin & Co.
Williams & Schwartz
Ethel Green
Chas, Ahearn Troupe
Mullen & Corelli
Carbrey Bros.
Howard Bros.
North Troupe
BHONX.
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Bell Family
Arthur Desgon
Kalmer & Brown
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Capt. Auger & Co.
Dooley & Sayles
Johnny Small and
Sisters
Lem Put
Four Rianos
AMERICAN.
Vesta Victoria

Others to fill

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May Ward
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Telegraph Four
Tom, Gillen
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Black and White Hayes, Roberts and Hayes Jupiter Bros. Rice and Cohen Brown and Cooper Lind John and Mae Burke Juggilng Normans
Mons. Herbert
Hamilton Bros.
(Others to \$11)



CORSE PAYTON

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Arrangements for Mr. Payton's appearance in vaudeville were made by William Morris over the telephone. There was no contract signed and but two weeks will be played.

Mr. Morris asked for thirty minutes of "Lend Me Flye Shillings," and Mr. Payton agreed. In the course of the next fortnight Mr. Payton will open another stock company in New York, making his third in the Metropolis. The name of the theatre will be announced later.

NEW ACTS NEXT WEEK

Initial Presentation, First Appearance or Reappearance In or Around New York

Nat Goodwin and Co., Colonial. Sylvester and Redmond, Colonial. Emma Dunn and Co., Orpheum. Hilderbrandt and De Long, Hammerstein's.

"That Annie Laurie Song," American.
Clark Brothers, American.
Moore and Palmer, Plaza.
Emma Duna and Co., Orpheum.
L. T. Johnson, Greenpoint.
Princess Vera, Fulton.
Mary Hampton and Co., Fulton.

Adeline Genee. Dances.

17 Mins.; Full Stage.

Colonial.

Adeline Genee made her vaudeville debut at the Colonial Monday. The Danish dancer has, beyond any question of doubt, the greatest dancing specialty that has ever been offered in a vaudeville house in this country. Genee was marvelous Monday night. She seemed to float through space. Backing her dancing up with eight girls, prettily dressed and all good dancers, a male assistant who is excellent and a orchestra that played beautifully, made a combination that should have drawn the large audience out of their seats with cheers. Instead the audience sat quietly, with no sign of enthusiasm. One can't blame the English when saying the American public has no eye for aught but gaudy colors and no ear for anything but the noisy blare. It would have been a wonderful sight to some Americans if they could have seen the audience at the Palace Theatre, London, the night Pavlowa and Mordkin opened there. The entire house from top to bottom were on their feet shouting "Bravo." They had no more to yell for than did the audience at the Colonial, for Genee is doing dancing that will compare with Pavlowa's best. Her work is so far superior to anything shown by the troupe that Percy Williams brought over here under the name of "Russian Dancers" that there is no comparison. After that troupe opened at this house there was an argument between the agents and managers as to whether American vaudeville wanted this class of dancing. If American vaudeville audiences will not enthuse over Genee, they will over no one. As far as the management is concerned there will be no regrets. The dancer's name will do the business. Monday night the house was packed to the walls, and it was then impossible to get seats for the Saturday matinee. There may be an excuse for the intensely dramatic sketch no matter how well acted, and for the grand opera selections, no matter how well rendered, when they pass unheeded, but for the truly wonderful dancing of Genee, which is not aesthetic or even classic, there can be no excuse whatever. Whoever has been at fault to have brought down the appreciation of a vaudeville audience instead of advancing it may know the work has been well done.

Marietta Olly and Co. (2.)
"Helene" (Dramatic).
18 Mins.; Four (Parlor).
Plaza.

In the attempt to place "The Whirlwind" before vaudeville in a brief sketch, the arranger fell down hard Monday at the Plaza. With nothing but dialog until the finale, the piece ended without a "finish," so necessary to an abbreviated production. That, however, did not altogether ruin the sketch. Though never approaching greatness, in the descriptive matter or the playing, Miss Olly and her company, with conventional society play dialog and emotions, held the audience fairly well. With an adequate finish, seemingly not difficult to attach, "The Whirlwind" in its renamed form, "Helene" should do as sufficient to hold up a Shubert star. Monday wasn't a big day for the Shuberts in vaudeville. They were partially responsible for Kitty Gordon at Hammerstein's and wholly responsible for their imported continental actress, Miss Olly, at the Plaza. In "Helene" there are several laughs. It sounded funny to the audience when Helene asked her father for 600,000 francs. The audience probably thought the girl would ask for them one at a time. Baron Le Bourg (Hardee Kirkland), the father, could secure more laughs in vaudeville by studying the dialog allotted to him. The piece opens as the lover of Helene (who had made a loveless marriage five years before at the request of her father) confesses he has stolen 600,000 francs to gamble it away. Helene seeks assistance from pop, who is worth from thirty to forty millions of the twentycent pieces. Pop doesn't think any too well of Robert de Clavignon (John Emerson), the lover. Father wrings from his daughter what she desires the money for. When Helene told her father that Robert was a perfect gentleman and to be careful what he said to him, the audience didn't laugh, though they had heard the young man confess he was a thief. Still, perhaps a thief may be a gentleman just the same, if he will keep on wearing evening dress. Miss Olly did not just hit off the part exactly. The condensation may have helped to prevent that. Messrs. Kirkland and Emerson carried their roles acceptably. With a proper finish it would not be a bad little problem playlet, but even then, not one that should legitimately find its way to vaudeville.

Alme.

Brent Hayes, Banjoist, 7 Min.; One. Union Square.

Hayes announces his opening number as a march, "The Competitor," but it did not receive the applause deserved. His "Old Kentucky" selection was capitally rendered and thoroughly enjoyed. He attempts to give the sounds of two instruments at the same time, succeeding admirably. For the close, Hayes twangs off a lively "rag," going big. He might improve his style of dress, and should find plenty of work in the "pop" houses.

Merk.

Corse Payton and Co. (11).
"Lend Me Five Shillings" (Comedy).
34 Mins.; Full Stage.
American.

It is quite a Paytonized version of 'Lend Me Five Shillings," bordering almost upon broad burlesque of the original, that Corse Payton and his company are offering at the American this week. If James Madison Morton, the author of the one-act comedy returned and visited the American this week it is doubtful whether he would recognize his brain child. The stock impressario has taken many liberties with the dialog of the playlet and the interpolation of many of the slang phrases of the day is quite From the very start the apparent. inimitable Corse, who for many years has boasted that he is "America's best bad actor," goes after the speed rec-At the opening the lines issue ord. from between his lips in a steady stream, so fast it is difficult to dis-After tinguish what is being said. the opening scene there is a line that falls to the lot of the leading male character Mr. Golightly (Payton) that the audience seemed to think was but It is to the effect that he was going to the bar and order a half dozen quarts. The sally was greeted with a hearty laugh. As a matter of fact it would seem as though the American audience treated the entire offering in the same light as Mr. Pavton himself, that of burlesque. laughs that were came from the erratic manner of the actor and not from the lines. The piece itself would not stand the test of present day vaudeville acid. The company which supports Mr. Payton has been recruited from the ranks of his stock companies and comprises E. M. Kimball, H. E. McKee, Wm. A. Mortimer, Dick Campbell, Ray Owens, Mr. Howatt, Mable Griffin, Mable Stores, Mable Estelle and Alma Wise. Mr. Kimball and Miss Griffin are the chief support, giving a very satisfactory performance, as does Mr. McKee in his role of Cousin George. At the close of the sketch it received more than a half dozen curtains. Corse was presented with a horse shoe of flowers, amid the cries of "Speech," to which he did not respond.

Emma Don.

Male Impersonator.

7 Mins.; One and One-and-a-Half.

Plaza.

A company of two is carried by Emma Don, an English male impersonator. It is likely Miss Don did not present her full act Monday evening, due to the long bill. Of what was given the house orchestra managed to get in some deadly work, and by the way, the same orchestra kept it up all evening. The second of the two numbers employs a "bobby" and a newsboy, the latter taking part in the singing against the "rich swell" (Miss Don). The act reached here from England by way of the west. Under favorable conditions Miss Don would pass nicely. Her clothes would carry the young woman quite a distance. She is about the best dresser in male garments from the other side since Vesta Tilley. Sime

Kitty Gordon.
Songs.
15 Mins.; Three.
Hammerstein's.

The usual experiment made by Kitty Gordon ended in the usual way Monday matinee, when the generous Kitty gave vaudeville its first glimpse of herself. She sang three songs, all from the music factory of Gus Edwards. Leo Edwards appeared in the capacity of accompanist, imitating a violin after Miss Gordon's first song. This was to allow Kitty an opportunity to retire in the shelter of the wings, where she left a handsome cloak, returning in the equally handsome dress beneath, which was not changed during the fifteen minutes Miss Gordon, who is a dandy looker, helped the program to pass over. The songs were "Ashes of Roses," "Lucy Anna Lou," and "I've Got to Go and Get a Girl Like You." The last named, unsuited to Miss Gordon, was properly "plugged" from an upper box by four youngsters, supplied by Mr. Edwards. The kidlets earned a couple of encores for the singer. Miss Gordon must have approached the vaudeville week carelessly. Perhaps it is a matter of a week or two only at the most. But it won't help Kitty when she decides to take the variety stage seriously. From "Alma." in which Miss Gordon lately starred at the Weber theatre, nothing was taken. Maybe nothing could be obtained by permission. "Lucy Anna Lou" might have been a get-over selection for the singer if she had the idea of the song. "Ashes of Roses" wasn't looked for from a "musical comedy star." Kitty has everything but the songs. She needed a repertoire which would have fitted her. That may have been secured after the Monday matinee. But it is doubtful if songs could be found to fit this young woman at an hour's notice. She is essentially a singer who must be fitted, for she cannot fit any song given her.

Telegraph Four. Songs and Dances. 12 Mins.; One.

The Telegraph Four is a duplication of the Arlington Four, not any better than might have been expected of a "copy," and not carrying a genuine negro colored boy for the comedian. The blackface man in the "copy" is blacked up. In his solo dance at the conclusion of the turn, this boy in blackface exits on the dance in the same step employed by the colored boy of the Arlington Four. That seems carrying a "copy" a little too far. There is a Hebrew comedian who doesn't let himself out, but the comedy is never strong nor important. The act as "No. 6" in the long show at the Plaza did very well. It was shifted up from the American after the Monday matinee. The turn can do well enough on the big small time, where the spot is not too important, but if it is a regular quartet with any confidence, it might seek to build itself up instead of following an established act, which has "made good."

Harry Williams and Jean Schwartz. Songs. 18 Mins.; One.

Colonial.

Harry Williams and Jean Schwartz are a new team to vaudeville, although both have been in it before with their writing partners, Williams with Van Alstyne, Schwartz with Jerome. The new stage playing couple have taken their specialty from both the other acts, leaning more to the turn formerly given by Williams and Van Alstyne. Harry Williams in a quiet little way with pleasing ease and an infectious smile sang several songs to Schwartz accompaniments. "A Little Flat in a Great Big Town" one of the old songs started the pair into favor. They never stopped gaining until they had run through six numbers and Jean Schwartz had played"Whitewash Man." Of the new ones best liked "Good Old American Names" was thought most of. It is a very good idea built upon a "gag" that Herbert Ashley told early in the program, when he said, "We Americans should chase all those foreigners out of the country." "Play a Raggy Tune" was also extremely well It was sung by both men and is built along the lines of "Baby Looka Here." The other numbers all did well. As a team Williams and Schwartz will have no trouble. There is no doubt but what this is the sort of entertainment New York vaudeville patrons want, for after following Genee in the greatest dancing specialty that ever will be seen in vaudeville, to go off with a bare bow or two, they applauded Williams and Schwartz until the boys had to come out and bow after the signs were up for the next

Dash.

Seymour, Murray and Seymour. "Rathskeller Act." 10 Mins.: One.

"Midnight Maidens," Columbia.

These three boys are attached to "The Midnight Maidens," a couple playing principal roles in the twoact farce that show presents. As an olio turn, the trio sing "raggy" and other songs. At the curtain they are disclosed as Hedges Bros. and Jacobson were, two seated upon an upright piano, the third playing. They open with "San Francisco Bay," also sing "That Barber Shop Chord" and close with a burlesque opera, including a travesty upon "Chirri-Birri-Bi." the running the planist has a solo with his voice and the ivories, while one of the other young men sings "Piano Man" to him. In burlesque they are located just right. Neither of the boys draws attention individually, nor do they collectively, in singing, playing or delivery. At the Columbia the finish brought them a strong encore, made stronger through the stage manager permitting the house to remain darkened, which of course incited the gallery gods to finger-whistling. The act could get over on the "small time"

Rime

Mable Phyllis Irving, back from abroad, is soon to reappear in vaude-

Edward Abeles and Co. (1). "He Tried to Be Nice." 27 Min.; Full Stage. Colonial.

Edward Abeles returns to vaudeville in quite a different piece from that played on his last appearance. From a dumb boy who has to face a charge of murder, he is a young husband who has decided to be considerate to his wife. The theme is not new and the piece not particularly bright. Mr. Abeles does not glisten in the role, nor does Miss Lander (company) who plays the wife. The sketch opens with Abeles impatiently awaiting his breakfast. He fills in the time reading, coming across the advice of Fanny Free to married men. He immediately decides to follow Fanny's tips. The wife, unused to the small attentions, grows suspicious, then the inevitable quarrel between husband and wife. There are few funny lines and situations strung through the playlet. They are strung, and that is the trouble. The piece seems about to end a couple of times, then goes on for five more minutes. Cut six or seven minutes it would be a much better vehicle. At its best, however, it will not be a suitable offering for Mr. Abeles. It did fairly well at the Colonial, but is not strong enough either for the actor or for the position (closing first half) on this week's Colonial bill.

Dash.

"Three Maidens From Sais." Shadowgraph Poses and Dancing. 9 Mins.; Four (Special). American.

Sais is the same as Syce. It is an Anglo-Indian expression and means "an attendant of ... orses." While there is no wish to lead to the belief that these young women escaped from a livery stable it might be advisable to suggest a new name for the act. The "Maidens" are billed as having come to America from the London Hippodrome, and would seem for a moment to be advocates of the great undressed art. Close inspection with the aid of nowerful lenses reveal fleshings. There are three poses and two dances given. They are entitled "Idolatry," "The Veil of Sais" and "The Grecian The dances are given in Frieze." conjunction with the first two poses. The girls work on a raised platform set in about "three," at a height of The light effects four or five feet. are from behind in solid colors, throwing the shadows in relief on the front sheet, which seemed to consist of a thin gauze. Two of the girls are in the first pose, followed by a sort of a "Spring" dance with ropes of flowers The second is "The Veil and leaves. of Sais." Here the three girls are The last is "The Grecian shown. Frieze." A blue light is used for the first, green for the second and a redyellow for the last, which consists merely of a series of poses. All is done with a view to the artistic and is very pretty, but that is about as far as it goes. The three maidens earned but slight applause from the Monday night audience at the American and it would seem as though they. while making a desirable filler in a bill, will not create any great stir.

Miss A'Yoe. Songs. 10 Min.: One. Majestic, Chicago.

From Sweden or Norway comes Miss A'Yoe, bearing a dialect which may tinge her French as musically as it does her English, and in the rythmic cadence of her native tongue surrounds her vocal offerings with a charm few women can draw from sung or spoken words. Her voice, whether in announcing her numbers or in singing, is melodious to a degree. She is a pretty girl, of radiant charm and beautiful figure; blonde, extremely so, typical of her nativity, with large, lustrous light blue eyes which seem to enter into her songs as much as does her voice. Her ways and arts are of the most subtle kind; she is a dynamo of magnetism and fairly radiates personality. And yet, with all these advantages, her battle was uphill every moment Monday afternoon; but when she had finished, there was the sincerest sort of applause, good measure for three insistently demanded bows. In the first place her accompanist, who slouched onto the stage in front of her, is of the type detrimental to any artist. He may or may not be to blame for the appearance he makes, but at all events, hinders rather than helps the girl. Miss A'Yoe did not seem sure of her routine and for each number, consulted her accompanist which, of itself, under the circumstances, militated against her. The thought was advanced that this girl of wondrous art and charm should not, logically, be dependent upon her assistant for anything but piano playing. To further detract, the selections were not especially suited to the occasion. ed with a French song, followed with one in English, sang one of her own folk songs and then rendered, in English, a dainty bit which she called "The Philosophy of a Kiss." Her encore was "The Key of Heaven," a quaint English song of a species rarely heard. Her list needs revision; she should not sing more than one song in a foreign language, for her pretty dialect lends an added charm to her enunciation of English. Miss A'Yoe is a great artist, nothing less; but she needs counsel from somebody who knows. Her costuming. Monday afternoon, was typical of the girl; she seemed to be wound up in pretty blue satin, until only the whitest of smoothly turned shoulders and arms protruded. Grace marked her every move, charm fairly radiated from her and she won her audience in spite of handicaps which would have killed off any but a talented and magnetic artist.

R. N. Luzzi and Trixie Shannon. Musical. 15 Min.; Full Stage (Interior).

Luzzi offers harp and violin selections, the former bringing the most applause. Miss Shannon is billed as "The Dublin Girl." She has a strong soprano voice and makes one change of dress. The "old songs" won the most favor. The act should meet with approbation on the "small time."

Barrett and Earle. "Who's Who" (Comedy Sketch). 15 Mins.; One. Linden, Chicago.

Vera Barrett and Arthur Earle have blended their "singles" into an act in "one," framed up in sketch formation, carrying a thread of plot and working out excellent entertainment. The Linden audience was so enthusiastic over the doings of the couple that five bows were required. The couple have a New York street drop for the backing. They enter with the girl carrying grips and Earl shoving a long box on a baggagetruck. The box is up-ended against the drop. Some conversation ensues to indicate they are performers, landed broke in the big city. Earle has a letter which contains information that in a rag do!l which has been sent to the girl a bill of good size has been hidden. The doll suggest a song of childhood for Miss Barrett, which she does exceedingly well. Earle returns from a little jaunt up street to find the girl has departed. He remarks that he will probably have to whistle for her and that brings in his finger-whistling specialty. While Earle has the stage Miss Barrett changes to her "doll" makeup and when Earle starts to wheel off the long box he finds it heavier than it was; opening it, Miss Barrett is disclosed as the "doll." The act concludes with the girl's very clever and effective impersonation, the "doll" finally placing her fingers in Earle's mouth for him to whistle an accompaniment to the song she sings, as a finale of a clever and entertaining interlude. Walt.

Arthur Aldridge. Singer. 11 Mins.; One. American.

Mr. Aldridge is another importation at the American this week. He renders two semi-classical solos in a tenor, voice, with a piano accompanist. The singing of Mr. Aldridge immediately shows that he is more fitted for concert than for vaudeville. His voice is a strong and beautiful tenor and he sings with great expression, but the present repertoire and manner of delivery will not carry him far in the two-a-day houses. The accompanist might also be asked to take to evening clothes instead of a dinner coat. With songs more Americanized, such as a classical ballad, the act would have fared better. Fred.

Roberty Dancers. Acrobatic Dancers. 9 Mins.; Four. American.

Three dancers, two men and a woman. At the opening a brief moment of pantomine is used by one of the men dressed as a page. The entrance of the other two members follows. The woman is clad in a knee length vari-colored soubret costume and the man in evening clothes. They take a routine somewhat similar to that employed by Nana. The act does not develop anything extraordinary until the page, who has made a change to a Russian costume of silk, does a series of whirls at the finish. This saved it. Fred.

Mark.

MIDNIGHT MAIDENS.

There have been so many reports about Gus Hill's "Midnight Maidens" and the condition the show has been in all season that the performance given at the Columbia Tuesday evening came as an agreeable contradiction.

When considering that a number of the principals are practically new, without having their usual quota of work yet laid out, the Hill show stood up exceptionally well.

It seems a better balanced performance than anything else. There is no comedy to rave over, or numbers to enthuse about. The piece is taken from a French farce, played in two acts, with an olio dividing. It is named "The Girl I Met At Rector's."

Holding to the main theme very much more than it is customary in burlesque with farcical pleces of this order, the players bring fairly good even entertainment out of the mass.

While to Harry A. Emerson (the principal comedian as a "Dutchman") considerable credit is due, no doubt, the presence of good looking principal women has something to do with the result attained. Emerson plays an elderly father. As a "Dutchman" he will never start a riot, but as a performer who knows how to deliver for effect, Mr. Emerson is there a mile.

The show is short of comedy. A couple of broad efforts brought big laughs. But still there were audible smiles every now and then, and they kept up during the performance.

As an assistant to the chief funmaker, and with a hare-lip that recalls Dave Marion, Danny Simmons did something towards the humorous results. Just why Mr. Simmons or other people in the show imagine that his repeated and very ordinary "falls" should be worth featuring or interfering with the action, perhaps no one but those concerned know. In the olio Simmons pulled a big surprise. Appearing "single" as a "military tramp" and afterwards as a Scotchman Mr. Simmons put it over thoroughly. As a Scotchman, he is with the best of those who have followed in the wave started by Harry Lauder. For an encore Mr. Simmons has a silly burlesque on Roosevelt which should be dropped. Also he might bolster up the soldier talk. (It does not infringe on Lou Anger's, but the idea may have been suggested by Mr. Anger's "soldier").

The women are led by Norma Bell, who doesn't look badly at all, carries herself well, and has a voice. Possessing a voice as she does, Miss Bell unthoughtfully spoiled one number, "Josephine's Flying Machine," by not holding her tones in to harmonize with the others. The song received an encore on melody, and would have had a couple more with the "business," if Norma had kept her head. This girl looked and sang so well at the opening when delivering "Winter" that she secured two encores, without backing of choristers.

Another rated female principal is Violet Pearl, with little to do and animation to burn. Ned Norton is similarly situated to Miss Pearl. These young people should be made good use of. Miss Pearl can take care of anything a lively soubret should, and

they don't come any better in the straight line for appearance than Mr. Norton.

Grace Celeste Emerson did nicely because she looks well and joined in a couple of numbers. Lissie B. Raymond is playing the wife that Emerson is husband to. Unfortunately, the running of the show obliges Miss Raymond to step from the finale of the first act to the olio as the opener of the vaudeville part. It gives Miss Raymond a large handicap. She sings "coon." "Irish" and "cockney" songs. the latter having a catch in the last line of the chorus. It seems as though Miss Raymond is working without confidence for no apparent reason. She is putting the numbers over very well. Seymour, Murray and Seymour (New Acts).

The olio of "The Maidens" has another act that should go right in to make itself. That is Barto and Mc-Cue, strong men. Remembering the Bellclaire Brothers, Barto and McCue are some strong act. They have a big point in their favor that not enough is made out of. That is either can become the understander. This should a couple of tricks only. This should be worked out with alternating tricks or so until the audience commences to guess who is going to take care of the strong end next. Each of the men affect a pose, and a little motion of the hand before each trick, that should be dropped. It is so obviously affected it has become a habit. A more natural bearing, and a little more showmanship, without that steady workmanlike grind, will send this act up. As an extra feature at the Columbia this week, the Ellis-Nowlan Company in "The Fire Fighters" was added.

Sixteen girls in the chorus could do a great deal more. There are gaps in the show where they should be. In a "Chanticlair" number, one of the four girls involved brings repeated encores through her manipulation of the bells attached to her person. It's good comedy. She is a little stout "pony," the liveliest of all the choristers, and worth watching. There is also one good-looking chorus girl, which the other fifteen may decide upon.

Among the numbers the "Bonnie Scotch Fusileers," a quickstep drill, did well enough. It was followed by the finale of the first part (different from the others), with a nice musical ending, including a couple of "pictures," but a bunch of cheap-looking flags were let down from the flies. That spoiled it, though the good old Stars and Stripes were made of silk. Mr. Norton and Miss Pearl had "Stop. Stop, Stop" as duet with the chorus behind them. They put it over for a number of encores. A little "cooch" movement went with it. The audience was trying to grasp the combination of the girls' dresses. Some combination, too. Looks as though the young women were dressing in the morning, and had allowed their skirts to slip down. Emerson had a "clean" "Hinky Dee" song, and Miss Pearl sang by herself in the first act "American Rag." Then in the second act as Violet appeared in "The Garden," she said "It had been five years since I last saw uncle," but it was in unky's house she sang the "Rag."

MOULIN ROUGE.

"The Moulin Rouge" is a rather sorry entertainment. There are many angles from which the two pieces may be looked at and found lacking. It remained for the olio to place the show in the running at all.

Shy in principal women, although five are programed, all of the work fell upon Joe Emerson, in the role of a tramp. Though he tried heroically the task was beyond him. He gained a little assistance from Harry Emerson in a Hebraic role. The remaining male principals figure here and there but do not show anything worthy of comment until James Howell assumes the role of the "Moor" in the burlesque.

The opening piece is "A Night at the Moulin Rouge." There is no author given. After a glance at the action it is easy to see that all needed was a stenographer, who sat through a performance or two of Paul M. Potter's adaptation of a French farce. produced under the title of "The Queen of the Moulin Rouge." The entire story of the latter has been boiled down into fifty minutes for burlesque purposes. The scene is the interior of the cafe at the Moulin Rouge, quite in keeping with the Caberet de Quatz Arts of the original.

It seems rather a pity that whoever transposed the work did not hold to the original story to a greater extent. The manner in which the story has been twisted leaves neither head nor tail to it, not even forming an excuse for the interpolated musical numbers. The latter are shot into the action at random without any possible excuse and do not fit nor aid the action in any shape. In the selection of suitable numbers those that had this work under supervision were unfortunate.

Clara Raymond is the leader of the women. Miss Raymond does what the role requires of her in a perfunctory sort of a way that never seems to place her personality over the footlights. She makes several changes of costume and looks pleasing. Alice Lee and Victoria Sawtelle fill in in minor roles without any important opportunities.

The chorus of the company works in a lethargic manner. The playing of Joe Emerson, stood out particularly well because of the surrounding company. In the afterplece he also did the most.

A burlesque entitled "O'Fellow and Desdemona" was the closer. It ran in the neighborhood of 25 minutes, with all of the laughter earned by the two Emersons as American sailors. Frank Dobson was O'Tlego, the Governor of the Island and a burlesque type of De Wolf Hopper. A charming looking Desdemona was Alice Lee, while Miss Raymond encased her graceful proportions in tights, and became Capt. Hobson.

There were several brisk numbers, the chorus making four or five changes. The finale was a "cooch" number led by a dancer in Spanish costume who offered a combination "cooch" and Spanish dance. From the point of producing laughter the afterplece was far in advance of its predecessor, but still not what burlesque of to-day expects.

The interim between the two pieces (about an hour and a quarter) was filled in by the olio. This portion of the program contained six acts in addition to an ill. song singer.

The Lee Sisters started the olio in a singing and dancing turn. It is a small act which attempts importance through suggestiveness. Violette Dusette, billed as "Polaire's double," offers the latter's panto "Le Estrange" with laughable effect. The original "flopped," but the imitator never reached the height to even do that. All that one could do was to sit tight and guess what it was all about.

In a musical act Kaufman and Sawtelle delivered one of the real hits of the evening. Following as it did so poor an array of entertainment the audience seized upon them as a pleasant relief. They were followed by Prevost and Brown in a comedy acrobatic offering which also scored in a wholesome manner. Howell and Webster, singing and talking, put over a lively bit of chatter cleverly and were rewarded. La Petite Emilie Troupe. cyclists, before the ill, singer. The three girls in the turn work much after a fashion that would suggest that at one time they might have been parts of a big cycle act. Excepting this act, all of the olio were drawn from the show.

It would seem as though the management had tried to cast the two pieces with acts that could work in the olio, with no regard as to how they might fit the parts. The result is disastrous.

Fred.

UNION SQUARE.

It was a singing show at the Union Square the first half of the week with a trio of male warblers carrying away the lion's share of applause. The show, shy of comedy and novelty features, had a tendency to drag. It remained for the newly installed musical director to fall into the breach and pull down some applause for his piano work.

"A Night on the Bowery," formerly offered by a quartet, now introduces three singers. There is no changing of costume or "doubling" in parts as when first presented. The men sing well, their voices blending more harmoniously with the new arrangement. "The Rosary" by the first tenor still remains the feature, although the medley of topical numbers was enjoyed.

Luellyn Mayne and Co. combined vocal work with heavy dramatics. The combination seemed to please the Union Square regulars. The "Strongheart" finish appealed.

The pictures were up to the standard, the Selig release of little Buddy drawing the most attention.

Brent Hayes and Ethel A. Clark (New Acts).

Mark.

Spearman Lewis, formerly press agent of the St. Louis Aero Club, newspaperman and promoter of theatrical ventures, has associated himself with Philip Mindil in the latter's publicity bureau, New York.

AMERICAN.

(Estimated Cost of Show, \$5,475.)

The program offered at the American this week is the best playing show that there has been at that house in quite a few weeks. Primarily the interest centered in the Corse Payton production of "Lend Me Five Shillings" (New Acts), although there were three other attractions new to this country.

The show played fast, getting its start with the fourth number, Probst, the whistler, and holding to the speed throughout, even though the hits did not commence until the second half. At the opening the house was comfortably seated, although they were still coming in when the sixth number was on at 8.20. Harry Jolson held down this spot, having been moved up from the second part. Between he and Probst, Webb's Seals held forth and earned a full measure of applause.

Following in Quick succession came Vasco, the Mad Musician, whose efforts were rewarded heartily, although his turn is quite the same as shown here before, Bertie Fowler, in her character impersonations (who earned three bows) and then two foreign importations, Roberty Dancers and Arthur Aldridge (New Acts). Both were on just preceding Corse Payton, closing the first part.

The second half of the bill was rearranged. The opener here was the Boston Fadettes. For solid applause, even in this position, the act walked away with the hit of the show.

Daisy Harcourt, who followed, caught the house while they were still warm and before they had a chance to cool she put over her first number and right there made a bid for the running. She held the stage for thirty-five minutes, giving them five numbers (all ginger) and the American audience seemed to like it, even though a little "rough." At the end four bows and with the audience clamoring for more, the English comedienne bowed off. After a stage wait of two minutes the "Three Maidens from Sais" (New Acts) showed and pulled down a little applause.

Then came the holdovers, Montgomery and Moore, and Mason and Bart in the two closing positions. It was almost eleven when the former team came on and there was a tendency to drift on the part of the audience. On the program "Lend Me 30 Cents," a burlesque of the Payton offering, is billed. The burlesque runs for about five lines. The team have shown that they are able to do better ahd broader travesty. Not a few were disappointed. As it was they did eighteen minutes in "two," and came back for an encore in "one," which lasted five min-

Mason and Bart, for the second week, had a rather hard job holding them in at 11.20, but managed fairly well. The show lasted toward midnight with the pictures.

Alexander and Bertie were the openers, with a female illustrated song singer on "No. 2," and the Five Juggling Jordans, third.

Billy Gould leaves Atlantic City this Saturday night at nine to make Memphis for next week.

PLAZA.

(Estimated Cost of Show, \$4,000.)

The Plaza program ran very nicely Monday evening, with but little change from the programed position of the acts. It was a good entertainment, containing a great variety, every turn having a different twist, and all blending in. The Plaza show this week is probably the most widely ranged variety bill ever seen in New

There were several substantial hits. and others which have been but were not through unavoidable position. The principal sufferer from this was Frosini, who did not go as well as his accordeon u ually makes him. He followed Tallman, a wizard with the cue on a pool table, but Mr. Tallman overstayed his limit. Also he was unfortunate in his misses Monday evening.

Felix and Caire turned off a big score in the "No. 10" position, followed by another applause getter in the Four Bards. Nana, second after intermission, was bungled up something awfully by the orchestra, which seemed to have not the slightest conception of her music.

McMahon and Chappelle were the big laughing success. Way down late and following the quiet enjoyable illusion turn of the Great Albini (New Acts), the talking couple had to go to 'em hard, but won out at the half and had the house roaring until the finish. Some new talk has been inserted. Sophie Tucker returned with her "coon shouting" in the next to last spot, singing "Grizzly Bear," and the "Angle Worm Wriggle" among others, but without any "wiggles." Sophie had some headgear on that threw her appearance out of balance.

Felix and Caire did a bit from "The Girl in the Train." Miss Caire showed to such excellent advantage in this one felt sorry that show has faded

The Bards did their new singlehanded balancing trick, after only one miss. It's a great trick, for top mounter must be a man with sufficient strength, which makes him a heavy one. Ed Bard is the understander. The top mounter had a close grasp on Ed's right eye in the catch-ascatch-can hold made. Both stuck, though it must have been somewhat painful to Ed.

But one boy appeared with George Primrose, who gave a very short act in consequence. Lamb's Manikins. "No. 5," went through nicely.

The house filled up fairly well, but late, which leaves it open to question whether "22 acts" and a 7.30 opening are necessary at this house, though the early show brought in a capacity gallery by 7.50.

Emma Don, Telegraph Four, Marietta Olly and Co. (New Acts), Jack Ark (second week) opened the bill. Matthews and Rees closed. Nina Esphey and her banjo started the secend part.

Geo. Primrose retired from the bill at the Plaza after Monday. One of his dancing boys is ill and could not appear. Another youth will be secured by Mr. Primrose to complete the couple he usually carries.

FIFTH AVE.

(Estimated Cost of Show, \$8,100.) If the estimated cost of the show at

the Fifth Ave. this week is near correct, and the cost seems over estimated, the show is a first class one for the money. There were several shifts in the running order. Harry L. Webb, programed to open the show, appeared second, giving the initial anot to Max Gruber's Animals, set down to close. This sent the De Haven Sextet from "4" to "closing," if they appeared. That was about all the changing excepting George Felix from "2" to "3" and Howard Bros from "3" to "4" and so on and so on.

George Felix assisted by the Barry Girls, deserved a better position than "No. 3" and it would have helped the bill as well. Felix is doing "The Boy Next Door" with very few changes. He is working more himself and his grotesque comedy was highly appreciated. The act frames up very similar to the former four-act, which also held Lydia Barry. The Barry Girls have improved wonderfully since last seen. They make an attractive pair of "broilers," putting over a couple of numbers in fine style and working well with Felix.

Harry L. Webb did very nicely in the early spot. He was no riot, but put in a very entertaining period. Harry should keep an eye peeled for new material. The present is not had but he is capable of handling better. Webb has an easy quiet method and should come along and be seen more about the metropolis, with the right stuff.

Howard Bros. fitted in well. The boys are getting quite a bit of comedy out of the banjo juggling and should go right into this end. It cannot be overdone. The stage dressing as well as their own should be brightened up. The dress clothes worn by the brothers only need pressing. Nothing looks quite as badly as a dress suit out of

Cunningham and Marion scored in both the comedy and acrobatic departments. The boys have framed up a very good specialty of its kind in "one." Both men work hard, just a little more speed is all the act re-

Julius Steger and Co. are playing "The Fifth Commandment" first half of the week and "The Way to the Heart" the last half. The program announces this as Mr. Steger's last week in vaudeville.

Edwin Holt and Co. also came across with a familiar vehicle, well received. "The Mayor and the Manicure" is a good piece of vaudeville property. It will outlast the usual comedy sketch. Max Gruber's Animals opened the show and made the going good from the start. Avery and Hart were next to closing.

Dash

Bert Marshall, the Cleveland agent. and Janie Nicholls (late of the Dainty Nicholls Sisters), were married in Cleveland, Dec. 26.

Stella Mayhew and Lucy Weston have commissioned Geo. S. O'Brien to place them in vaudeville for a few weeks after "The Jolly Bachelors"

Four Baltus. Acrobatic. 11 Mins.: Full Stage Colonial.

The Four Baltus have worked out an interesting routine of strength tests, showy and difficult. The work consists almost entirely of different formations in which a strapping big man holds the other three in various positions. Apparatus is used in several of the tricks, in which the big man on all fours holds the other three while they go through the usual routine of hand-to-hand and head-balancing stuff. The act is worked quickly and the men make a very good appearance in neat blue costumes. The most applause and amusement came through the apparent ease with which the big fellow handled the other three men. Closing a first rate show, the act did very well, holding in most of the large audience and can be placed in the same position on any Dask.

The Great Albini. Illusions 18 Mins.; Full Stage. Plaza.

It is some years since Albini appeared in New York. He has been west. Albini has built up a likeable illusion act, breaking the spells between tricks by work in "one." Some of the magic there is accompanied by talk. In a report from Chicago it was said Albini's remarks While in "one" became a large score in his favor. At the Plaza Monday evening the magician spoke but little. He seems one of the very, very few men with tricks to sell who can secure humor out of his speech while doing them. Mr. Albini should have spoken more, for what he did say brought a laugh each time. Among the illusions, all well worked, there is a trunk trick that wholly mystified. Among others, he had the "Sedan Chair," and the "Bed Chamber." In "one" Mr. Albini tied chairs and bottles together, releasing the bottles under the covering of a coat, but his best work in the forward part of the stage was the "egg and bag" matter. Albini is a skilful palmer, and an excellent workman in every other way. He makes his turn interesting. Rima

Ethel A. Clark. Songs.

8 Min.: One. Union Square.

With other "small time" singles. Miss Clark will stand up. Her voice is strong, numbers good, and changes of a pleasing variety. Opening in a light blue outer garment, trimmed with fur, singing "Winter," she received the most applause, although the young vocalist does well with her ball number. Ethel closes with a popular selection, making a complete change of costume for the finish.

Mark.

James Brady and Co. (2.) Comedy Dramatic.

A rural sketch with just the necessary quantity of humor and pathos that will make it a go on the bigger "small time." The act should find no trouble securing time. Fred.

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13 Mins.; Four (Special).

OUT OF TOWN

Mack and Orth.
"The Wrong Hero" (Songs and Talk).
18 Mins.; One.
Keith's, Philadelphia.

Keller Mack (formerly of Quinlin and Mack) and Frank Orth (formerly Orth and Fern) make a happy combination for vaudeville. They have been shaping up the new sketch for a few weeks, and gave it a real showing here with splendid results. well constructed little theme gives the foundation for as good a line of comedy talk as has been heard in an act of this kind and it was plain sailing from the very start. Orth is a doctor who is visited by Mack, the latter claiming to be "a sick man." When Mack enters, Orth is talking over the phone and is informed that a hero who has just rescued the doctor's son from drowning is on his way to the Most of the comedy talk is office. unloaded during the phoning, each misconstruing the answers of the other. The doctor proceeds to deliver money and order mythical cases of wine for the "hero." During the process of hilarious joy, they burst into music and song, Orth at the piano. It built up a corking singing section for the act, Mack putting over three or four new songs, which went straight to a real bull's eye hit. Orth joins in on "Follow Me," a big comedy number which had the house going wild. Just prior to the finishing number the real hero turns up. More comedy arrives with the turning over of the money. Monday the boys could have kept right on singing, leaving the house calling for more after several The act is worked in "one" with a special drop, the piano being curtained behind it. This adds to the value of the act. Mack and Orth work as if they had been together for years. With the fund of capital material at hand, they should be grabbed up at sight. They were a big hit bed up at sight. George M. Young.

William Gould and Co. (1). Songs and Talk.

22 Mins.; Full Stage (11); One (5). Young's Pier, Atlantic City.

Clever Billy Gould has taken unto himself a new assistant in the person of Hazel Cox, a pretty blonde, tall and slender. She has a pleasing voice, can put over the lyrics and in a short time will fill the bill nicely. Mr. Gould has several new songs. One, "If the Girl Don't Think of You" is scheduled to be a hit. All his stories got over, each one good for a laugh. The act was liked immensely throughout, with four or five encores to its credit.

J. B. Pulaski.

Ellis and McKenna.
"Wanted, a Tenor"; (Singing).
16 Mins.; One.
Young's Pier, Atlantic City.

Harry A. Ellis and Tom McKenna are this duo. Until a few weeks ago they were with Dockstaders' Minstrels. They are using "Wanted a Tenor," supplied by Gus Edwards. With some changes it is the act given by the latter to Harrold and Wood. Ellis and McKenna have dandy voices and make excellent harmony, scoring a hit here.

J. B. Pulaski.

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AMERICAN (Wm. Morris, Inc., mgr.; agent, direct).—Since the Morris Circuit has publicly announced its intention to continue the "22 act" policy, they would do well to pattern their weekly bills after the one presented at the Music Hall this week. A more evenly balanced and smooth running performance hasn't been shown at the house all season. However, business took a siump Monday evening, the center of the house being almost empty. Two sketches hold prominently being hills and cohen offering "The Primose." new to Chicago, appeared in the first division while Wm. Courtiegh in "Peaches" also scored a big hit, despite the fact that the majority of the audience were familiar with the sketch. Opening the show, Mile. Olive presented her juggling specialty in "one." The position proved to be handless were present at the time. After Hardlece were procent at a count of first grade gymnasium stunts on the trapeze. Eight minutes of fast work without a second of "stailing" sends the Budds to the front will make the probable, she might better finde a new make-up. The Reld Sisters followed with their familiar routine of acrobatic dancing, going quite well. Next came Alsace and Lorraine. They made a favorable impression. Mattle Locktet bills herself "The Original Mary Jane." Mattle soon convinced the house that she had the goods. As a rule, the "kid" character is overdone, eventually growing the had the goods. As a rule, the "kid" character is overdone, eventually growing the had no good position, incidentally acoring one of the eventually acoring one of the evenings hits. The Wilson Bros. Presented their comedy bar act, help-ing the comedy department considerably. has a good position, incidentally scoring one of the evening's bits. The Wilton Bros. presented their comedy bar act, helping the comedy department considerably. Alfonse Zeisya, diplomat, soldier, artist and musician, offered three numbers on the plano, the last one bringing three hows. Zeisya is a finished planist but passes up a good opportunity to use dislect to advantage. The Femous and the state of popular. The four men can sing but their appearance is below par. The dressing could be greatly improved and since they must stand before the audience several minutes they would do well to make themselves at home on the boards. The Diving Norins (second week) are closing intermission and repeating last week's hit. Opening the second section Abbie Mitchell, the colored prima donna, sang two numbers. Spear Keily and Marion Wilder pulied down a singing hit with ease. "The Woman in the Case" turned out to be an illusion. The operators should arrange the back trop, so that one could be the companying announcement is a corking good illusion and seemed to completely mystify. Fred. Woman in the Case" with the accompanying announcement is a corking good illusion and seemed to completely mystify. Fred. Woman and falled to get started. It took something stronger than Rivenhall's efforts to follow the preceding acts. After Rivenhall companying announcement is a corking good illusion and seemed to last was allowed two numbers and falled to get started. It took something stronger than Rivenhall's efforts to follow the preceding acts. After Rivenhall series were supported than Rivenhall's efforts to follow the preceding acts. After Rivenhall series were supported by a local attraction, the daily papers having given him considerable space because of his unusual ability in challenging everyone on east traction, the good.

MAJESTIC (Lyman B. Glover, mgr.; agent, orpheum Circuito.—Conflictions were noticeable in the bill Morday afternoon. Midgets were in evidence in two of the acts; there were two comedy sketches, and twice the plano was shoved into "one" and dragged off again. In other respects the frame-up of the show was unusual and the total of entertainment was not in keeping with the standard many previous bills have established. The McDonald Trio opened the show. C. E. Schoffeld presented an old-time ban-lo and stump speech act is sectioned by the standard many previous bills have established. The McDonald Trio opened the show. C. E. Schoffeld presented an old-time ban-lo and stump speech act is section. A stump speech act is section of the first many the study of the day will in James and the study of the afternoon. The Expressman's work in "one" saved the day. Will il. Armstrong and a peachy "Co." (entitled Dorothy Dale) started the first real noise of the afternoon. The Expressman's world delightfully fed by the dentrial mental bale for a total of splendid entertainment. Miss A'Yoe (new acts). The Lawrence Gratton version of "Chums". capitally played by Eva Taylor & Co., makes a better waudeville interlude than another sketch from a

like source which is now traveling the burlesque route; the Majestic audience found abundant cause for laughter and gave the players four curtains. There was a dead wait, from no apparent cause, preceding the appearance of Rock and Fulton in "one." The clever pair won their way to the most substantial hit of the afternoon. Frank Fogarty, next to closing, heid the audience intact while he ratted off his Irish non-set and the state of the state of the received the size of the state o

some of the most wonderful displays of equilibrium, hand and head not head balancing ever seen on this side of the briney.

STAR AND GARTER (Wm. Beebe, mgr.).—The Lovemakers" play here this week under instructions and the state of the briney.

STAR AND GARTER (Wm. Beebe, mgr.).—The Lovemakers" play here this week under instructions and the state of the love was sold out, as usual. With Bob Scott again working with Howe, a tandem of superior chey enter. It for the state of the season. Their methods never become tedious and through a series of original maneuvers they have been entered in the season. Their methods never become tedious and through a series of original maneuvers they see the laughter bubbling aimost continuously. Their comedy bits take on individuality, are worked out logically and with an almost entire freedom from objectionable material. Howe's first spoken line has "hell," but thereafter he avoids such "sure fire" and works his way to laughter without descending to the level of comedians who try to cover the level of comedians who try to cover the level of season. The second of obseening like beavers, producing results. Libby Blondella is a tower of strength to the performance. She holds up, practically unalded, the feminine end of the show, for Vera Desmond has little to do save look nice (which she does) and Lanier De Wolfe, the soubret, rates rather light among the season's average for girls in her position. Miss Blondell possesses in ample quality and class to give it entertainment value ranking with the beat superior to the general run of burlesque principals, scores on looks, wins out with her vocal efforts and to cap-sheaf the structure of her success, is an actress of ability. Given Howe, Scott and Miss Blondell possesses in ample quality and class to give it entertainment value ranking with the best program. Don Roth's book it excess in a number of present and the late Herbert Ingraham supplied pretty music. There are no titles programaded, from end to end the show gave splendid or eithe

FOLLY (John A. Fennessy, mgr.).—Only about two hours of show lets the "Merry Maidens" pass without tiring an audience too much; it's long enough for the sort of amusement which the company provides. Sam Rice is the principal comedian. He essays a German role in the opener, "Furnished Rooms," and a Hebrew in the burlesque, "All Aboard," being programed for

authorship of both pieces. In neither character does he attempt any dialect. He roams about the stage, cracking jokes, singing songs, trifling with chorus girls and in a general way passing the time without accomplishing anything really worthy of note. He swears a little, but doesn't grow vulgar, and that helps a lot. Ruth Everett is the busiest woman among the score of fairly good looking women connected with the company. She plays prominent old the following the following the plays prominent old the following the f

KEDZIE (Wm. Malcolm. mgr.; agent. W. A.).—With King Cole, the pride of the Cubs, to draw them in and Homer Lind & Co. astisfy them, the Kedzie audience received full value for their money last week when the attendance reached the limit mark. Cole assisted by Chas. O'Toole is getting away nicely with a new act but were it not for the fact that he trimmed Connie Mack's warriors in one game of the season end series it is doubtful if he would attempt vaudeville, considering the ability displayed at the Kedzie. Homer Lind & Co. in 'The Opera Singer,' scored the big hid of the show a series of the season end series it is doubtful if he would attempt vaudeville, considering the ability displayed at the Kedzie. Homer Lind & Co. in 'The Show and the season end will please any audience. His singing is a feature while the work of his support is excellent. Closing the bill Nat Nazarre & Co. also took down a large sized hit. The youngsters are especially clever and build up the comedy department. The Connelly Sisters have a fair routine of singing, the comedience going in a little strong for the risque brand of comedy, but still keeping well in. The girls are good dancers and have something a little different from the conventional 'sister act.' Burke's Musical Dogs opened and offered a pleasant surprise in the canine line.

Tom J. Carmody, manager of the Star under Kohl & Castle rule took charge of the Academy last Monday.

The remains of Mrs. Langdon (mother of Lucille Langdon), who was accidentally burned to death, recently, at Troy, N. Y., arrived in Chicago, Jan. 12 and were interred in Rose Hill Cemetery. This was Mrs. Langdon's home.

Izzy Weingarten presents his new aeroplane act, with Jeanette Lee featured, at the Academy last half of this week.

Josie McIntyre was hurriedly sent to the Des Moines Orpheum Monday to replace Irene Romaine who left the bill, after opening Sunday, on account of the death of her mother.

Geo. L. Brown, manager of the Arch, has experienced difficulty in getting his shows booked. The Association is suing him for hack commissions and when they shut of his bookings he tried several members of the Agents' Association. As he was back in commissions to Frank Q. Doyle, a member, he found nothing doing. The house may turn exclusively to pictures.

"The Alaskan Girls" is the title of a new girl act now being rehearsed by Allan Foster who staged the show. "The Alaskan." Wm. Cullen is financing the venture.

I. B. Renny, representing the Interstate Circuit, is making a trip through Texas anthering in the small time houses for his circuit. The Interstate has never hooked a "spilt" week up to date, but hereafter will pay some attention to that class of time through the South.

The Four Mortons play a return engagement at the Kedzle next week. The family played a week at the house a month ago.

A new house helng hullt in Michigan City will be booked through the W. V. A.

Charley Doutrick, the nestor of Chicago, booking agents, has lately added enough houses to bring his string of booking piaces up to twenty. The Majestic, Streator, which has been running dramatic stock, is back to vaudeville; the Grand, a newly built house in Mattoon, and the Pastime, Maquoketa, Ill., are now receiving Doutrick's service.

Chas. Hodkins went to Joplin last week to arrange a change of policy for his Lyric next Monday. Where two shows have been here-tofore given with six acts, one show nightly will hereafter employ ten acts with prices 10, 20 and 30 cents.

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Harry Clay Blaney gave up the attempt to popularize "The Boy From Wall Street" after his engagement at the Haymarket. Own Davis made the play from Sewell Ford's stories, "Cherub Devine," and Douglas Fairbanks gave it a trial performance at the Grand here, last summer, under its book title.

Kilmt & Gassolo, who operate stock com-panies at the Imperial, Bijou and Criterion, have leased from Litt & Dingwall the Bijou, Milwaukee and Minnespolis, where, starting May 1, they will operate stock companies dur-ing the summer.

Homer Lind started a tour of the Association houses last week at the Kedzie.

M. J. Karger has sued the owners of the Oak for \$3,500 claimed damages for breach of contract. Until recently Karger managed the house, having opened it with Morris bookings Thanksgiving Day. He formerly managed a vaudeville house in Des Moines.

Edward M. Santrey and Jack O'Keefe is a pugilistic combination which breaks into vaudeville this week at the Crystal. As the local authorities prohibit public exhibitions of boxing expertness, their specialty is not apt to be over-exhibarating.

Ruth Francis and Co. are presenting locally. "A Touch of High Life," a sketch by Harry Newman, of Rossiter's staff of writers. Wm. T. Keough is her leading man, thus resing the orders of affairs when the same couple were appearing as Keough and Francis, with Miss Francis in junior position.

Pete Mack came near receiving his second son as a New Year present; the young come-dian arrived 3, at the Mack residence in Chi-cago. Eugenia Dugal, the mother, expects to resume playing her sketch, "Grit's Thanks-giving," Jan. 30.

Geo. Fredo and Anita Primrose are back in town from a tour of the S.-C. Circuit. Sam Duvries has been touring neighborhood states in quest of more houses for the local S.-C. office.

The Sisters McDonald came back to Chicago after six months' absence with a new set of kildles the only distinguishing mark. They reached here Tuesday and the next day Paul Goudron dispatched them hence to play his theatre in the middle west.

Stuart, Raymond and Baker are "innovat-ing" among the Association houses; they have a four-act show which they carry intact from house to house, featuring their musical act as the strong point.

Chas. Frohman is short on dramatic attractions suitable for the new Blackstone and as a consequence, the Imperial Russian Court Balaiatka orchestra (originally a vaudeville attraction in London) will next Monday follow Wm. H. Crane in "U. S. Minister Bedloe."

"Homeward Bound" did not reach the Studebaker, hence the house is dark this week with Henrietta Crossman promised for 22 in "Anti-Matrimony."

Arthur Bowen, vaudeville cartoonist, was married to a Chicago girl last Sunday, and she will make the trip with him over the Orpheum tour.

Eibert Hubbard passed through last week to resume his tour of the Orpheum Circuit in Denver Monday. He will now continue the tour without further interruption than travel

"The Little Damozel," at the Whitney, will be succeeded 22 by Helen Ware in "The Deserters." Pavlowa and Mordkin will make their third and final Chicago appearance at the Auditorium Saturday afternoon and evening. 21. This pair of Russian dancers have cleaned up a small fortune by making Chicago a one and two-day stand at high prices during two previous visits to the Auditorium.

Two of the original three Merrilees Sisters, vaudeville headliners of a past decade, have been appearing in Chicago during the past fortnight—Carrie, with Gertrude Elliot in "The Dawn of Tomorrow," and Edith as a soprano of the Doria Opera Trio. The third sister, Jessie, is now singing in London.

Musical shows which hold over for this week are: "The Arcadians," at the Illinois; "The Happiest Night of His Life," at the Colonial; Jess Dandy and "The Prince of Plesen," at the Garrick; Stella Mayhew, Lucy Weston and Al Leach, in "The Jolly Bachelora," at the Lyric; "The Sweetest Girl in Paris," at the La Salle, and "The Little Damorel," at the Whitney.

William Roache last Sunday celebrated his twenty-fourth consecutive year as a manager of west side theatres. He started out as assistant treasurer of the Academy when it was operated by H. R. Jacobs. Then he was a operated by H. R. Jacobs. Then he was a boy in knickerbockers; now he is "Col." Bill Roache, manager of the Haymarket, Academy and Bijou under Lyman B. Glover, general manager of the Kohl & Castle interests.

Kelley and Wentworth are vaudeville folk who believe in the power of the press. They employ a press agent to keep managers posted but at Fort Wayne, recently, their plane was congressed after wate press agent had sent along his matter, and in their place "The Operator" was booked. But the local manager made use of the Kelly and Wentworth press stuff by substituting "The Operator" whenever the sketch teams name appeared and the local papers did the rest. appeared and the local papers did the rest.

Chevalier's engagement in "Daddy Dufard, at the Princess, announced to end Saturdanight, has been indefinitely extended.

The season of grand opera ended at the Auditorium last Saturday. Next Monday the New York Hippodrome show begins an engagement.

Leonard Hicks knocked at everybody's door at 10.30 last Friday night to say that there was a fire in Madison street, three buildings removed from the Grant Hotel. When the few early sleepers jumped out of bed, hit their feet on the concrete floor and bumped against the steel construction walls excitement died a-bornin' and sweet slumber was soon resumed.

Frank Smithson, stage director at the La Saile, is a brother-in-law of Joseph Lyon, a London restauranteur, recently knighted by King George for conspicuous military ser-

G. Lombardo, bandmaster, is organizing a light opera company for an attempt at Bush Temple popularity, starting 30 with "Florodora" as the initial bili. The five Winn-

THE KOMIKAL KOONS PLAYING STEADILY Direction, FREEMAN BERNSTEIN

inger Bros. are now in their second week at this house with their small-time reper-toire company.

Arthur Deming closed with "Lower Berth 13" as it passed through town after playing South Chicago last Sunday night. He goes back to vaudeville.

George Castle returned Tuesday from his trip to Colorado where he sought relief from asthma. He comes to attend some details preliminary to the annual meeting of the Kehl & Castle corporations, to be held in the Majestic Building Jan. \$1.

Helen Lindroth, a member of Zeida Sears support, visited Mabel Taliaferro Sunday afternoon, and in the evening when she started for the Chicago Opera House fell down stairs and broke her arm. In consequence her part in 'The Nest Egg' was omitted at the opening performance.

Eva Williams, who manages the foyer cigar stand at the American, encountered a "stick-up" man the other night, going home after the show, and came off a heavy loser. Her purse was taken and in an effort to secure her fur coat the garment was half torn from her body.

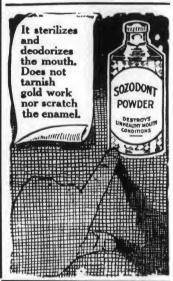
In Chicago 9, a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Borsini, of the Borsini Troupe, circus acrobats.

Mrs. Borsini, of the Borsini Troupe, circus acrobata.

LINDEN (C. S. Hatch, mgr.; agent, William Morris).—No signs of hard times on the 10-20 circuits were a set of the desire of the lost seat in the rear of the balcony the place was filled for the second show. The bill was hooked up just to the liking of the audience and everybody came into their own. The Three St. Julians opened with a decidedly clever exhibition of acrobatics and athetics. They work upon a "T" shaped upright, performing hand-balancing feats and minor casting the control of a control of a

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PREMIER (Chas. Schaefer, mgr.; agent, Frank Q. Doyle).—Lipman and Lewis, Ada Lucas, Wilson and Washbrun. Dancing Bill Halpen, Rowens La Mee, G. M. Ritchie, Trix Mantell and Co., Letford and Simons.
GEM (Chas. Schaefer, mgr.; agent, Frank Q. Doyle).—Ether, L. R. Pomroy John Co., Callifolia R. Wilson and Levis, La Pomroy Lees, Burt Le Van.
ESSEX (Bilharz & Lewis, mgrs.; agent, Frank Q. Doyle).—The Three Majestics, Blanche Kruger, The Cilippers.
IOLA (George E. Powell, mgr.; agent, Frank Q. Doyle).—Skatennelli, Perrin and Perrin; Olivan Clayne; Alfreda Sember; John Schale, Machans Comedy Doss, Archer Stock Company.
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OAK (Rert Golden, mgr.; agent, W. Morand Co.; Harry Bestery; The Melnotte-Len-ole Trio.

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ris, Inc.).—Heston, Lucas and Co.; Madeline Saxe; Frances Wood; Schreck and De Arville; Lanc, Goodwin and Lane; Le Calire and Sampson; Lefter and Simons; Three St. Julians; Juhasz; Josie and Willie Barrows; Hawkins, Siddons and Co.; Kroneman Bros. CLARK (Joe Grime, nigr.; agent, Wn. Morris, Inc.).—Three St. Julians, Gracia Faust, Buch Bros., Forrester and Lloyd, Marx Bros. and Co., Lambert Bros., Diana Bonnar, Brooks and Carlisle, Paul Bauwens.
JULIAN (J. G. Conderman, mgr.; agent, Wm. Morris, Inc.).—Ortaney Troupe, Finley and Jordan, Three Burns Sisters, La Salle and Star, Ruth Frances and Co.
HAMILTON (Pat. McDonell, mgr.; agent, W. V. M. A.).—Pearl Sterns, Hutch Lusby, Morris Saisburg, Mr. and Mrs. O'Brien, Geo. W. Bandy, the Jeanottes, Le Vine and Lanc, Emergue and Somers, Hays and Wynn, Lester, Hazel Lucas.
PLAZA (Fred. Hartman, mgr.; agent, W. V. M. A.).—Dan Maiey, Five Nosses, Kelin Hros. and Brennan, Angela Deleros and Co., Neuss and Eldred.
ASHLAND (Al. Weldner, mgr.; agent, W. V. M. A.).—Piccolo Midgets, Russell and Gray, Byrd and Vance, Post and Russell.

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ORPHEUM (Martin Beck, gen, mgr.; agent,
direct).—Elsie, Wulff and Waldoff, gave bill
a splendid start; wire finish caught strongly.
A picture was slipped in before Ernest Scharff,
who did nicely with his musical offering;
Bonita and Lew Hen. Lillian Burkhart and
Co. moved from "6" to "4", thoroughly appreciated, aithough piece is preachy; Hanion
Bros., opening intermission, big applause all
through; Chas. L. Fletcher and Co., moved
from "3" to "6," started poorly, but finished
substantially; Julius Tannen pulled out a big
laughing hit; Great Aurora Troupe, effective
bicycle specialty.

WIGWAM (Sam Harris, mgr.).—Ordinary
bill. Leo Chapman in "Wanted a Donkey,"
ordinary and got nothing; Kitty Edwards,
English singer, ordinary; Carters and Waters,
saved through rough-house finish; Vardon,
For and pordan, we received; Joe candigan,
with old material, did better than it warranted; Pelham, the hypnotist, put it over.

(HUTDS (Ed. Levey, mgr.; agent, Pantagen,
direct).—Poor card. Annette Delsarte in
"Living Picture Songs," ordinary; Murphy and
Willard started lightly, but picked up and
finished strong; Albert Pench, parodist, hit
of bill; Woodfort's Posing Dogs, appreciated;
Chas. R. Sweet stayed too long; Military
bare, Cun Stathard, he Produce has

Manager Guy Smith of the Broadway has purchased an Antoinette Monoplane with which he intends giving exhibitions at county fairs this season. Guy will not drive the machine himself.

Bert Levey is evidently so busy these days that he hasn't time to shave. He is getting into the habit of rubbing his chin with blotters.

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New York, Feb. 6

Direction, B. A. MYERS

Brown and Mills are cleaning up this week at the National, the first chance in a good spot they have had during three weeks in Frisco.

What a noise if Lew Sully ever hits New York town, following Alice Lloyd, as he has been doing here for the past two weeks.

Happy Jack Waiker is mourning the ioss of his little four-year-old boy, who died last week. Mrs. Walker passed away last year.

Mme. Tetrazzini will give a return concert here 21.

Chas. Leonard Fletcher, appearing on the Orpheum Circuit in a sketch called "His Nerve," has been securing considerable noto-riety in this vicinity through the efforts of Herriet E. Thomas, secretary of the Charity organization Society of Newport, R. L., who has asked the assistance of Mrs. Francis B. Lemon, secretary of the Oakland local of the associated charities to compel Fletcher to provide for his ex-wife and two children. Miss Thomas charges Fletcher is under bonds to hay his former wife 315 weekly, as allmony, and \$400 yearly for the support of the two children, which he has failed to do since October.

A great many of the most radical agitators against the "hobble gown" are suffering a reversion of feeling since taking a peep at

Alice Lloyd in her dainty creations at the Orpheum for the past two weeks.

Manager Tony Lubelski of the American Circuit of Theatres and Cafes, has booked the open time on this side of Varion, Perry and Wilber, to open at the Odeon Cafe about Feb. 12.

"Pop" Grauman has evidently awakened to the fact that a program of "pick-up acts" at the National is not to the advantage of the house, judging from the increase of its quota of "circuit acts" the past two weeks, Last week three were booked in and four this week, with a perceptible increase of attend-ance in evidence.

Master Teddy Lehman (The Lehmans) will prove a find for some "kid" act or production.

Morris & Wilson, comedy acrobats, arrived from Austridia last week.

Morris Resch has succeeded Henry Garcia as amusement manager of the Portola-Louvre.

Joseph Florian, formerly with the Bevani Opera Company, which closed several weeks ago, has organized an operatic quintet from among his fellow artists, which has been booked for several weeks at the Portola-Louvre.

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Pantages' representative, Chas. L. Cole, re-turned last week from a month's stay in Los Angeles, where he has been wilipping the new house in line. Mr. Cole returns with glowing accounts of the southern city. All classes of amusement there are reported to be doing a thriving business.

Mike Kelly does not appear to have made any great impression upon the natives. Mike was engaged with his Six English Girls at the Blemarck Cafe. According to the management, three performances with Mike in the act sufficed and the engagement was cancelled, the girls being allowed to fill out the week. Mr. Kelly had a few weeks of experience with the Frisco public as producer at the American in this city, using as his billing "The Follies of 1910."

At midnight Monday, Manager Ed Levy of the Chutes decided he would alter the Fill-more St. entrance to the grounds. At noon Tuesday he had accomplished it to some ex-tent. A large mirrored and tiled lobby is to he installed which will give a direct Fillmore St. entrance to the theatre without going upon the grounds unless so desired.

The Three English Girls, in their sixth week at the Cafe Odeon, have received several of-fers to remain in this vicinity that will keep them here until spring, providing they accept.

The Armstrong Musical Comedy Co., which opened at the American, succeeding the James Post Co., is creating favorable comment.

COLUMBIA (Gottlob & Marx, mgrs; direction, K. & E.)—"The Traveling Salesman."
SAVOY (F. Busey, mgr.; direction John Cort).—"The Inferior Sex."
PRINCESS (S. L. Loverich, mgr.; direction John Cort).—"The Time, The Place, The Girl."

ALCAZAR (Belasco & Mayer, mgrs.; stock).
—"The White Sister."

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KEITH'S (Harry E. Gustin, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.).—Busy business this week. Good bill Event of the control of th

Word has just been received that Count La Gusta doing a swinging wire act at Bath, Me., met with an accident while working. His injuries consisted of a swollen knee joint. He required medical attendance, and will not be able to attend to his bookings for two weeks.

Loew's Orpheum has added a seven-piece orchestra, with Charles Franks as director.

PHILADELPHIA

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By George M. Young.

KEITH'S (H. T. Jordan, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.).—A bit of early baseball season attempts of the property of t

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phant, Roxy, proved a strong card, novelty being added through the animal coming down the alsie and climbing over the footinghts where she is put through a series of tricks by a man and woman. Roxy is intelligent above the ordinary and wonderfully well trained. The Tarantella Four are musicians and have a classy act which catches the eye and ear. Following the opening in monore which lea copy of the a harplet joining the violinists and the four rendering some excellent music. The act starts right with the fuil stage set and should be built up along this line. The opening is old and therefore gives a weak start. Two giris who have recently formed as a "sister act" are billed as the Doherty Slaters, a name belonging to a well known act now on the ocean coning back to America. The taking of the mane may have been read to be a sister act are billed as the Doherty Slaters, a name belonging to a well known act now on the ocean coning back to America. The taking of the mane may have been read to be a sister act are billed as the Doherty Slaters, a name belonging to a well known act now on the ocean coning back to America. The taking of the mane may have been read to be a sister act are billed as the Doherty Slaters, a name belonging to a well known act now on the ocean coning back to America.

The later the sister of the mane may have been read to be a sister act and purely with each number they tried. Karno's "Night in an irot of applause and laughter. No act could expect to get more than this one and as a "pop" house feature it ranks away out in front. The briefly mane and put over a well liked singing and dancing number. The boys might hit upon a better looking dressing scheme than the brown suits. Walker and Burrell offered a unique act in the musical line, the overly of it helping along the music secured from valous instruments. The woman secured from valous instruments. The woman is something and balancing on his hands. The man has not the use of his le

PALACE (Jules E. Aronson, mgr.; booked direct).—The featured act billed failed to appear and with one more act out the show did not get well started until Tuesday, but it averaged up to a pleasing point. The Barbeau Family held down a good spot with about seven acts moided into one. There are seven in the act and they tackle everything but weights and aerial apparatus. One of the boys showed some clever work with a rope and one or two dancing numbers went over in kooil shape. The act needs to be a seven when the seven well as the seven work of the band would also help. Melvin and Bond tried some talk which did get them much. They finish with some baseball talk which found the mark, working some familiar material up to a laughing finish. The Herberts pleased on the flying rings. The man used a muscular display at the opening and finished with a routine of tricks with the woman which made up a neat act. Ethel Golden offered work of the seven which was a pice appearance. A few steps are tried and the appearance is a Jap cyclist with a short routine of familiar tricks. A straight singing turn by Some Quartet put over one of the best liked acts on the bill. The boys

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have a neatly dressed number and do well by sticking close to straight work which is always a winner on the small time. The comedy finish did not help. H. F. Dalton secured fair results with a musical act and Wills and Ransley, a familiar sister team who were brought in late to fill a gap, did nicely with their songs and dances. Pic-

nicely with their songs and dances. Pictures.

BIJOU (Joseph Dougherty, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.).—Nilson's Aerial Bailet; Gwin Brothes and Madison. Van Cleve. Denton and Fee Band Madison. Van Cleve. Denton and Fee Brothers; Ban Smith Pictures.

IJBERTY (M. W. Taylor, mgr.; agents, Taylor & Kaufman).—The Derelict; Petching Brothers; Charlotte and Marguerite; Great Terry Troupe; Jules Heron. Pictures.

WILLIAM PENN (Geo. Metzel. mgr.; agents, Fitzpatrick Agency).—Kara; Two Calishans; Van Camp.; The Carons: Wilson and Hayes; Franklin and Davis: Bert Lesile's Players in "Flogan in Sociel." Bert Lesile's Franklin and Davis: Bert Lesile's Franklin and Botelti: The Dantes; Kennedy and Malone; Meyer, Harris and Co.; Le Roy and Harvey; Brown and Sheftel. Pictures.

NIXON (F. G. Nixon-Nirdlinger, mgr.; agent, Nixon-Nirdlinger vaudeville Agency).—The Stolen Story: The Talors: Renee Graham; Blocksom and Burne; The Bartons; Son, Nixon-Nirdlinger, vaudeville Agency).—Great Barnetti; Frankle Farreli; McDonald Brothers; Musical Hurley; Clifton and Carson. Pictures.

FOREPAUGHTS (Miller & Kaufman, mgra; agents, Taylor & Kaufman).—Ned Dandy; Mayo and Mayo; Bennett and Mack; The Spauldings; Wagner and Drew; Musical Hussars, Pictures.

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GIRARD (Miller & Kaufman, mgra; agenta. Taylor & Kaufman).—The Prampins; Arthur Connelly; Princess Winonah; Sherman and Co. Second haif—Five Musical Smiths; Delancy and Wohlman; Lewis' Dogs; Four Country Cousins. Pictures.

EMPIRE (Stanford & Western, mgra; agenta, Taylor & Kaufman).—Five Musical Smiths; Delancy and Wohlman; Lewis' Dogs; Four Country Cousins. Second haif—The Prampins; Arthur Connelly; Princess Winonah; Sherman and Co. Pictures.

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By Martin C. Brennan.

11 Park St. Sydney, Dec. 16.
The Tivoli has Waiter C. Kelly as a headliner, and the "Judge" has the crowd with
his fine impersonations and quaint dialects.
Nothing better in monologue has ever been
seen here. Les Marbas, an eccentric dancing
act, is another strong feature on a bill which
includes Frank Harwood, character vocalist;
Carl Howard, burlesque magician; Fanny
Powers, Godfrey Jumes, The Meymotts Irving
Sayles and Fred Blue Harmey, of ragtime plann dimered Miss Hainey, or ragtime plann dimered Miss Hainey, or planny
for the strong planny of the some pounder on the Ivories, whilst his partiner, for a heavy woman, is a very active
doncer. The act is full of ginger. Travis and
Cuszco, comedy hat balancers, with a clever
dog; Gray and Graham, in a new edition of
their "hell-boy" act, a scream throughout;
Delwyn & Tye, Olga Pennington, Denis &
Carney, Meirose & Mensyles and pleture.

OPERA HOUSE (Metbourne).—Jullan Rose,

OPERA HOUSE (Melbourne).—Julian Rose, the great Hebrew comedian, is registering a large-sized hit. Alexander Prince, concertina, has also bit the popular fancy. Also The Biessings, Vaude & Verne, Olga Grey, Price Sisters, Dancing Gilberts, Jack Hagan and Ted Kaiman.

GAIETY (Melbourne).—The Stalg Trio, sen-mational cycling, deservedly headliners. On the bill are Jules & Marsson, strong men; Ardo, human frog; Jack & Vera Kearns, Goldie Collins, the Lewix Trio and many oth

RICKARDS' ADELAIDE TIVOLL—Bar-nold's Animals, biggest success at this house for years. Armstrong & Verne, going well; left last week for Western Australia.

Daly & O'Brien, the tanglefoot dancers, are top-liners at the National, Newcastle. The act is having a very successful Australian tour.

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Barnes & West, the American dancing fash-ion plates, leave for America to-morrow. They will play three weeks at Honolulu, after which the duo will rest for a little time at home in Los Angeles. The act will probably play Australia again in three years.

R. A. Roberts, the English protean actor, is to play here. There has been no quick-change act of note since Ugo Biondi appeared here many years ago.

The American boxers, Billy Papke, Ray Bronson, Cyclone Thompson, Jimmy Clabby, with trainer, Walter Owens, are having a great time amongst the vaudeville people here. Walter C. Kelly is with the bunch, spending very much time at the training quarters at Botany.

In my VARIETY notes some months ago, I referred to Hayman & Franklin as coming to Australia. The paragraph somehow inferred that the act was to appear under the National management. However, the Hebrew comedy dispensers return here again under the same management, Harry Richards.

Morris & Wilson, who are playing Honolulu, on route to America, have registered the biggest hit of any act coming from Australia. Ere this reaches you they should be in

Quite a bunch of American people (vaude-ville) are now in Australia, namely: Walter C. Kelly, Charles Barnold, Julian Rose, Daly & O'Brien, Gray & Graham, Harvey & Haines, Jules Garrison, Valdare & Varno, Alf. Holt, and probably more.

Gray & Graham leave Australia in Aprii, and will probably play England.

Hanco, a handcuff and straight-jacket expert, met with defeat in a jacket challenge in New Zealand recently. Ivan Levy of the 'New Zealand Times' tied the showman up securely with three feet of rope and after nearly one and one-half hours' struggling. Hanco confessed defeat.

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COLONIAL. (F. E. Johnson, mgr.; agent, Fleber & Shear rehearsals Monday and Thursday, 10.30).—12-14. (Beers, clever; Morley and Hamian, entertaining; Emoraid and Dupree, well liked: Selma Braatz, excellent: foe Welch, hit; Spissell, Ladella, Engel and Co. good. 14-18. Swan and Danbard, ordinary; Two Roses, entertaining; Edward Clark, pleasing; Overing Lloyd and Co. good: Sen-

telle and Valorie, clever; Karsy's Myriphone, novelty.

NORKA (M. C. Winters, mgr.; agent, Gus Sun; rehearsals Monday 11).—Barnes and Mann, ordinary; Famous Washer Bros, pleas-ing; Great Petit Family, good; Haynes, Red-mond and Co., entertialing; Thatcher and Burns, fair; Van Avery, great; Musical Spili-ers, good.

EAST MARKET ACADEMY.—Elk. "holding indoor circus this week. Corr Family. Bostock's ponies. Dickenson's ., Clark's clowns, Mile. Margarita's lions, Maude Burbank's horse, Bessle Meers, Six Waltons and 20 other acts.

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ORPHEUM (A. E. Denman, mgr.; agent, B. O.; rehearsal Monday 11).—Edmund tanley and Co., very good; Wang-Doodle our, hit; Wally Trio, big; Turpin and Beh-U. B. O.; r Stanley and Four, hit; W

rens, good.

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ANN ARBOR, MICH.

MAJESTIC (Harvey Arlington, mgr.; agent, W. V. M. A.; rehearsal Monday 2).—"The Doll Maker's Dream," well received: Coy Trickey, entertaining; "The Detective." laughter; Lee Tung Foo, took; Herr Jensen Company, scored.

BALTIMORE, MD.

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NEW (Chas. Whitchurst, mgr.; agent, Feiber & Shea): 12-14, Spissell, Engel, Ludell & Co., scream; Lyons and Cullen, novel; Nettle Walker, Rood; Harry McNally and Co., fair, Warren Bros., excellent. 16-18, Barnes-Remink Co., hit; Jack Murray, usual; Jarves and Martyn, clever; Florence and Bowes, average; Fercy Hopper and Co., hand. VICTORIA (Chas. E. Lewis, mgr., agent, Vm. Josh Daly).—12-14, Mary Hampton and Co., sincess; Belzac, scored; Stewart and Ward, fair; Britato'is Equines, well trained. 16-18, Newell-Shevitt Trio, went well; Castelluct Four, applause: Harris Bros., pulled through: Nat Carr, blg.
WILSON (M. L. Schalbley, mgr.; agent, Nathand, McLon, and Co., arman, Jeffries).—Thompson Vinton and Co., laughing hit; Vnitro, clever; Cole and Coleman, John Medicaley, verage; Sautelle and Wheeler, Cook and Meyers and Dale, Al Wheeler, Cook and Meyers and Dale, Al Melon and Mack, La Crotys, Marie Victoria, McLoen and Mack, La Crotys, mar.).—"Ginger Girls."

MONUMENTAL (Monty Jacobs, mgr.)—

BIRMINGHAM, ALA.

MAJESTIC (Carl Rettick, mgr.; agent, In-tersinte; rehearsal, Monday, 10). Week 9, Herbert, good; Dave and Percie Martin, very Kood; The Motto Girl, went big; Beulah Dal-jan, clever; Rockway and Conway, fair; pic-lan, clever; Rockway and Conway, fair; pic-

rood; The Motto Girl, went big; Beulah Dallan, clever; Rockway and Conway, fair; pictures.

THE PASTIME (Sam Pearl, mgr.; agent, Williams; rehearsal, Monday 10).—Seabury, good: mga, hit; Muss Dubuse, woil received; Seabury, good: mga, hit; Muss Dubuse, woil received; MARVEL (104 Spellman, mgr.; rehearsal, Monday 10).—Hros and Lenoir, clever; Percy and Mayne Syellanan, hit; Great Elliotte, went big; pictureman, hit; Great Elliotte, went big; pictureman, hit; Great Elliotte, AMUSE U. (E. E. Newsome, mgr.; agent, Eurlong; rehearsal, Monday 10).—E. Custer, great; The Albinos, hit; Brittwood, took well; pictures.

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POLI'S (L. D. Garvey, mgr.; sgent, U. B. O.; rehearsal Monday 10)—Harry Breen, entertaining: Samaroff and Sonia, very good; Mary Sparrow, liked; Gus. Edwards School Boys and Girls, big; Una Clayton & Co., liked; Great Lester, good; Emerson and Baldwin, claver.

Great Leater, good, Emission and Clever.

BIJOU (W. E. Smith, mgr.: agent, U. B. O.; rehearsal Monday and Thursday 11).—"The Extravagance of Mrs. Buther," liked; Lee's Marionettes, good; George Biyberg, big.

EMPIRE (S. L. Oswald, mgr.: agent, I. B. O.; rehearsal Monday and Thursday 10.30, 10. Krazy Kida, hit; Julian Raymond Tracy, vary good; Benjamin, Henry and Moran, winner; Mark Wolley, laughing hit; Musical Buskirk & Co., good.

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GRAND (J. H. Michells, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; rehearsal Monday 10).—Tony Castelane and Bro., elever; Claude and Marion, good; Gracey and Burnett, fair; Murl and Daly, very good; Alf Ripon, pleased; Hanson and Blyou, hit Nox and Fosies Circus, head-lines.

L. B. O.; rehearsal Monday 19).—Daleys, good; Alton and Arliss, fair; Beaumont's Poiles, treat for the children; Johny Small and Sisters, hit; W. J. Woods and Co., won favor; Dan J. Harrington, average; Ishikawa Bros., clever.

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MAJESTIC.—"Pun in a School Room," good comedy: Brownia Carroll, fair: Lou and Ethel MCPhee, good: Eddle Dolan, good: "Acronban Girl," good.

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HAPPY HOUR (Geo. H. Ven Demark, mgr.; agent U. B. O. Monday rehearsal 12 20); 16-18. Josh Dale, hlt; Rogers, Fountaine and Moore, well-received; 19-21. Gehan, Greenwood and Geehan, Valveno and Trask—FVM-LY (Max Sherman, mgr.; agents, Buckner and Shea. Monday rehearsal 10); The Great Carroll, Allee Lamont, Four Castelluecle, C. W. Lawford

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Cummings, asst. mgr.; srent, Gus Sun: rehearsal, Monday 10,—Juggling Mullers, civer; Quaker City Quartet, well received; Violinsky, went big; Stacey & Basa, very good;
Senator Francis Murphy, went good; Patrice
& Co., excellent sketch.
PARK (Jeff Callan, mgr.; agents, U. B. O.;
rehearsal, Monday 10,—The Drapers, went
good; Mae L. Maxfield, hit; Keno, Weich &
Melrose, clever; Roeber & Tunison, excellent,
Lee Beggs & Co., went big; Annie Abbott,
feature.

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HAPPY HOUR (D. H. Connelly, mgr.;
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stands pleased. HAFF.
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The Rippels, pleased.
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MAJESTIC (T. W. Mullaly. mgr.; agent, Interstate).—Week 8, Chas. Edenberg, opened; Louise De Foggi, clever; Hayward and Hayward, well liked; West and Long, pleased; Billy Brown, imitations; Prosser and Reed, encores; Watson, Hutchings and Edwards, good.

good.

IMPERIAL (W. H. Ward, mgr.: agent, O. E. Honkina).—Todd-Judge Family, excellent: Max and Max: Tipnle and Kilment, good: The Gaths, good: Stanley and Scanlon, weil liked: Clarence Able, langer.

PRINCESS (Gus Arnold, mgr.).—Frank Mostyn Kelly & Co., hit of bill: Cooper and LaBlek, good: Joe Golden: Mrs. Peter Maher and Son, well received; Orietta agd Taylor, very good.

HARRISBURG, PA.

ORPHEUM (Wilmer & Vincent, ingrs.; agent, U. B. O.; rehearsal Monday 10).—Perreil Bros., fair, Smythe and Hartman, liked; Bothwell Browne, sensation; Lew Hawkins, many laughs; George Bloomquest Players, secred; Basque Quartet, good; Four Londons, excellent.

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COZY (Maurice Wolf, mgr.; agent C E Holkins; Sunday rehearsal, 11). Week 9, Cloyd Harrison, went big; Burton and Shea, Kind; Pryor and Addison, good; Howard Sis-ters, good; The Mazarta, bit.

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ROYAL (W. C. O'Brien, mgr.; agent, Fran-el Bros.; rehearsal, Sunday 130). Eugene enmore, Swanson Sisters, Balley and Ed-ards, Josephine LeRoy.

ORPHEUM.—Billie Allen's Musical Comedy

PRINCESS (Billie Finnlgan, mgr.).—Music-

LINCOLN. NEB.

OR: AEUM (Martin Beck, gen. mgr.; agent, direct; rehearsal Monday 6).—Four Huntings, fine; Hal Stephens, excellent: Binns, Binns and Binns, big laukh getter; Aicide Capitaine, good; Hida Hawthorne, very good; Irene Romain, entertaining; DeVoy and Dayton Sisters, average.

LOS ANGELES, CAL.

ORPHEUM (Martin Beck, gen. mgr.; agent, direct; Monday rehearsai, 10).—Week 9, Thomas and Hali, funny: Hymack, clever; Four Vans, dexterous; Knight, Newille and Volkman, very good. Holdevers—Marvelous Griffith; Quigley Brothers; Scheda, Cook and Lorenz.

Griffith; Quigley Brothers, Bondon, Carlotter, LOS ANGELES (E. J. Donnellan, mgr.; Monday rehearsai, 11).—Hallen & Fullen, big favorites; Rials, nimble; Alf. Camm, above ordinary; Beatrice Turner, hit; Zingari Sisters, pleasing. PANTAGES (Carl Walker, mgr.; agent, ditect; Monday rehearsal, 11).—Ricobono's Horsee, sceilent; R. A. G. Trio, very pleasing; Stevenson & Nugent, artistic; Charles Howe & Co., entertaining; Mile, Haney & Co., fetching; Vardaman, good. ling; Stevenson & Ling; Mile. Haney & Howe & Co., entertaining; Mile. Haney & fetching; Vardaman, good.

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LOUISVILLE, KY.

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MARY ANDERSON (J. L. Weed, mkr.;
agents, U. B. O.).—Stewart and Murray, fine;
Flanagan and Edwards, very good: Chick Sale;
received well; Vera Berlina, warmly received,
La Torto Jada, ordinary; Four Onetti Sisters,
good; Morena, Navaro and Mareena, very
good; Grace Leonard, good.
HOPKINS (Irvin Simons, mgr.; agents
Princess Amusement Co.).—Signor Avri and
Co., hit; Redpath, Napanees, very good;
Charles Ledegar, good; Aille and Trainer,
pleased; Duncan and: Clark, received well;
Lottle O'Mailey, good.
GAYETY (Al. Bouller, mgr.).—"Girl From
Happyland."
HUCKINGHAM (Horace McCrocklin).—
"Washington Society Girls."

Burton Stock Co. playing at the Wainut, doing fine business.
Mary Anderson will install daylight moving pictures called Photoplane, inventor here, Mr. L. L. Rothapfel.

J. M. OPPENHEIMER.

MUNCIE, IND.

STAR (Ray Andrews, mgr.; agent, Gus Sun; rehearsal Monday 10.30).—Copeland and Smith, good: Harry Burton, pleased; Harrison West Trio, big. WILLIARDS TEMPLE OF MUSIC.—Hit. GEO. FIFEN.

NEW HAVEN, CONN.

POLI'S (F. J. Windisch, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; rehearsal Monday 10).—Roland West, excellent; Three Keatons, delight; Mable Berra, recalled; Konerz Bros., great; Arthur Deagon, good; Karl Schultz, fine; McCormick and Wallacs, nicely.

NEW LONDON, CONN.

LAWRENCE.—16-18, Jeanette Bros., very ood; Carr and Oliver, fair.
ORPHEUM (Bullock & Davis, mgrs).—16-8, Golden and Hughes, excellent; Harry Dare, rell received.

ell received. EMPIRE (Empire Amusement Co, mgrs.). -16-18. Fred E. Wright and Co., good; —16-18, Fred E. Wilgin Leavitt and Fails, nicely.

Grant Heath has replaced M. J. Rafferty as manager of the Lawrence, and H. T. Soule is now at the Empire.

NEW ORLEANS. By O. M. Samuel.

ORPHEUM (Martin Beck, gen. mgr.; agent, direct).—Russell and Devine, opened; Harry Atkinson, caught on upstairs: Van Bros., Mr. and Mrs. Connelly, charmed again: "Spirit Paintings," clever novelty. acceptably presented. Sharkey, Gelsler and Lewis, applauded Vigorously; Rossow's Midgets, closed show.

OAKLAND, CAL

ORPHEUM (Martin Beck, gen. mgr.; agent, direct).—Alice Lloyd; Hibbert & Warren; holdovers, Howard; Melville & Higgins, Rigoletto Bros; La Pia. One to fill.

BELL (Julea Cohn, mgr.; agent S. & C. W. P. Reese). Huntress Stubblesfield Trio; Lucy Tong; American Trumpeters Trio; Stephen Gratton & Co.; Merritt & Love.

PITTSBURG.

GRAND (Hurry Davis, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; rehearsal Monday 10).—Isabelle D'Armond, assisted by George Moore, well received; Juggling Burkes, very good; Edward F. Reynard, clever; Claud and Fannie Usher, much iaughter: Three Vagrants, applause; Jack Wilson Trio, big hit; Ben Welch, many encores; Master Gabriel and Co., hit; Saad Dahduh Troupe, good.

FAMILY (John P. Harris, mgr.; agent, Morganstern, rehearsal Monday 9).—Macello's Statue Troupe, interesting; Gorman and Bell, ploased; Crotty Trio, applause; Gordon and Melville, good; Two Pryors, laughter; Hough Children, well received; Great Carrier, very good; Bags Fuller, good.

LIBERTY (Abe Cohen, mgr.; agent, Gus Sun; rehearsal Monday 9).—Phasma, pleasing; Illean Barnard, good; Sawyer and Delina, pleased.

GAYETY (Henry Kuttzman mgr.)—"Ir-

pleased.
GAYETY (Henry Kurtzman, mgr.).—"Irwin's Big Show."
ACADEMY (Harry Williams, mgr.).—"The
Rollickers."
M. S. HAUL.

PITTSFIELD, MASS.

PITTSFIELD, MADO.

EMPIRE (J. H. Tibbetta, mgr.; agent, U. B.
O.; rehearaal, Monday 10).—Duffy and Edwards, well received; Four Soills Bros, good;
J. F. Leonard & Co., very good; Chassino,
clever; "The Village Choir," went big: Five
Sullys, good.

PORTLAND, ME.

PORTLAND (J. W. Greely, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; rehearsal Monday 10).—Great Richards, big hit; Shaw and Everette, fair; Transfield Sisters, well received; Hamilton and Masse, good; Four La Belles, clever. HAROLD C. ARENOVSKY.

PORTSMOUTH, O.

MAJESTIC (Maler & Reineger, mgrs.; agent, Coney Holmes; rehearsal Monday 10).—Farmer Jones' Pigs, pleased; Armand Milnotte, good: Rogers and Bumstead, nicely: Baker Troupe, took well. GORDON.

READING, PA.

ORPHEUM (Wilmer & Vincent, mgrs.; agent, U. B. O.; rehearsal Monday and Thursaday 10.30).—Wills and Hutchinson, fair; Bayone Whipple and Co., pleased; Carson and Willard, laughs; Robert De Mont Trio, ex-

Willard, laughs; Robert De Mont Trio, excellent.

LyRiC (Frank D. Hill, mgr.; agent, Loow;
rehearsal Monday and Thursday 10).—Claude
land, good: Ash and Carr. pleased; Five
Grenadlers liked.
PALACE (W. K. Goldenberg, mgr.; agent,
McHugh; rehearsal Monday and Thursday
10.30).—Montrell Trio, good: Wills and Barron, laughs: Kennedy and Williams, pleased;
Mignon Phillips, liked; Ruth Beale, pleased,
Mignon Phillips, liked; Ruth Beale, pleased,
HIPPODIGOME (C. G. Keeney, mgr.; rehoarsal Monday ar Thursday 10.30).—Great
Franklin, pleased; The Bardines laughs;
Eddle Heron and Co., liked; Schrode and
Chapelle, good; Johnston Lee and Co., excellent; Passerl's Royal Concert Band, fair;
Lexette's Models, neat. G. R. H.

SALT LAKE CITY.

ORPHEUM.—William Farnum, featured, scored big: Callahan and St. George, shared honors: Temple Quartet, well liked; Bowman Bros., good: Andree's "Living Pictures," pleased; Meredith Sisters, liked; Lavinia De-

pleased; Meregith District, Indu, American Witt, good.

MAJESTIC.—Harry Shannon, good; Charles Mack, pleased; Eilis and Eilis, good.

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("ASINO. Elmer and Raymond, hit; Leo Byas, good; The Drews, riot.

MISSION.—Geo. W. Parvis, Jr., great; The Kaufmans, hit; Wade Sisters, good; Gordon and Barber, good.

Orpheus opened Monday matinee; pictures and ill. songs.

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GARRICK (Wm. Tomkins, mgr.; Monday rehearsal 10).—Week 9, Pistie & Cushing, fair; Tom Maguire, good; Hungarian String Quartet, very good; Dick Cummings & Co., fair; Johnson, Davenport & Lodella, funny; Blenah & Miller, good; pictures.

PRINCESS (Fred Baillen mgr.; agent, Bert Levy; Monday rehearsal 10).—Taylor & Braham, good; Maisle Rowland, well received; Dunlavey & Williams, good; pictures.

PICKWICK (E. M. Drukker, mgr.)—Pictures.

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LIBERTY (Frank and Hubert Bandy, mgrs.; agent, direct).—Last week Scott Lesite and Co., with Lep Meyer, Jessie V. Livingston, Lucille Lancaster, John Lynn and others, presenting clever after-pieces; Tony Klumpker, very entertaining: Per Milmares, very clever; Davis and McCauley, entertaining; Pope and Uno, great; Murry K Hill, big; Berry and Berry, hit.

great; Murry K Hill, big; Berry and Berry, bit.
ORPHEUM (Joseph A. Wilensky, mgr.; ogent. Inter-State Circuit; rehearsal Monday
11).—DeHollis and Valore, excellent; Pearl
Stevens, very good; Luce and Luce, scored;
Al. Lawrence, great; Fairman, Furman and
Pairman, tremendous.

Liberty theatre will abandon vaudeville this week, and play stock, beginning Monday with the Starkey Players.

SPRINGFIELD, MASS

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POLI's (S. J. Breen, res. mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; rehearsal, Monday 10).—Chas. and Fannie Stedman, good opener; Pete Lawrence and Co., fair; Rert Levy, ever welcome; O'Connor Sisters, good; Robert Drouet & Co., in "A Couple of Cocktalla," (new acts); Taylor, Krans and White, riot; Pedersen Bros. real sensation.

G. A. P.

8T. PAUL.

AUDITORIUM.—New York Hippodrome, good. Business good. PRINCESS.—Selina Lyons, good; Rader and Rader, good; Moone and Gordon, pleased; pictures, good.

GAIETY—Rplit; McC'all Trio, pleased; Daly and Dean, good; Paloro Bros., fair; picture; Lecali; Ida Clare; Two Rebhois.

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ST. PAUL, MINN.

ORPHEUM (Martin Beck, gen. mgr.; C. I. Dean, res. mgr.; agent, direct; rehearsal Sunday 10).—Cressy and Dayne, fine; Jesse L. Lasky's Co., good: Bird Millman, fine; Ben Beyer and Bro., good: Marie Fenton, good: Waterbury Bros. and Tenney, good. MAJESTIC (Miles-Gilowski, owners; Jack N. Cook, res. mgr.; agent, Churchilli; rehearsals Monday 10:30).—Kurti's Roosters, good:

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REX (Frank Siefert, owner; Frank Tyreil, mgr.; agent, W. V. A.; rehearsal Monday 10).
—Sampson and Sampson; Kirk, Kieln and Erianger; Austin Waish; Pearson and Joel.
STAR (Empire Circuit; A. H. Moeller, res. mgr.).—"Century Giria."

TORONTO, ONT.

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SHEA'S (J. Shea, mgr.; agent U. B. O.; rehearsal Monday 10).—Jess Lasky's "The Photo
shop," big; Albert Holea, hit; Harry First
and Co. good; De Renzo and La Due, pleased;
York and Adams, scream; Cliff Berzac, well
trained; Wills and Hassen, novelty; Paul La
Croix, fine.

MAJESTIC (Peter F. Griffin, mgr.).—Rees
Broa, Mintrels. Hanry mgr.)—"Treade.

ros. Minstreis.
GAYETY (T. R. Henry, mgr.).—"Trocade-

STAR (Dan F. Pierce, mgr.).—"Cherry Biossoms."

HARTLEY.

WASHINGTON, D. C.

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CHASE'S (H. W. DeWitt. mgr.; agents. U.
B. O.; rehearsal Monday 11).—Valerta Bergere and Co., and Morton and Moore, hits:
Belle Blanche, clever; Beautiful Chesterfield,
amused: Alpine Troupe and Cotter and Boulden, well received; Hoey and Lee, second honors.

den, well received; Hory and Act, agent.

MAJESTIC (F. B. Weston, mgr.; agent.
Cleveland; rehearsals Monday 11).—Swan's
Alligators, novel; Leabitt and Dunsmore.
Gertie Maxwell and Imperial Trio, divided
honors; Baker and Cornella, clever; Vernon,
well received.

CASINO (A. C. Mayer, mgr.; agent, Wm.
Morris; rehearsal Monday 10).—Cilnton, Page
and Co. and The Bicknells, first honors; Prof.
Forrest's Dogs, amused; musical Stoddards,
clever; Welt and Casino and Jack Lewis, well

GAYETY (Geo. W. Peck, mgr.).—Irwin's LYCEUM (Eugene Kernan, mgr.).—Broa ay Gaiety Giris. WM. K. BOWMAN.

YONKERS, N. Y.

WARBURTON (Jos. E. Schanberger, mgr.; agent, Edw. S. Keller; rehearsal Monday 10,30).—Eva Boehme and Co. weil liked: Wright Huntington and Co., good; Lawrence Johnston, clever; La Vine Cimaron Trilo, good; Vanda and Mykoff, novelty; Cecella Weston, nice; Lynch and Zeller, good; pletures.

ORPHEUM (Sol. Schwartz, mgr.; agent, U. B. C.; rehearsal Monday and Thursday 12,—12-14, Devil, Servant and Man, big; Budd and Wayne, liked; Two English Belles, liked; 16-18, Goldle Rhinehart and Co., Jaugh; The Universe, spectacular; Harry and Kate Mitchell, pleased; pletures.

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YOUNGSTOWN, O.

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PARK (John Elliott, mgr.; agent, Felber & Shea).—"The Hold Up," blg; Neary and Millen, pleased; Klein and Clifton, scored; Goodwin and Elliott, hit; Irving Jones, pleased; Phanton Bros., fine.
PRINCESS (Waiter Hanlich, mgr.; agent, Gus Sun).—Luttringer. Lucas and Co., pleased; Scott and Wallace, pleased; Four Hirschora, applause; Hawaiian Duo, clever; W. S. Harvey and Co., best of the kind seen here.

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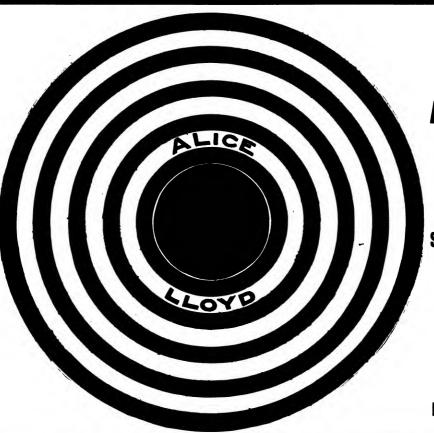
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At Second Meeting Committees Fail to Agree, and a Billing Battle is on for the Coming Summer. Circus People Combined Only for This Purpose.

Chicago, Jan. 26.

The Showmen's Association will not use the boards controlled by the Buliposters Association during the coming summer. In the circusmen's organization are owners of practically every circus, big and little, in the country. On the billposters' side are posting plants in every town in the country. The demands of the billposters for increased rates and their positive refusal to do away with circus tickets as an adjunct to a posting contract caused the Showmen's Association to decline positively to do business with the organized owners of out-of-door advertising space.

Last month the Showmen's Association was organized at a meeting of circus proprietors, held in Chicago, for that purpose. The board of directors of the Association billposters were in session here at the time, and an effort was then made to reach an agreement as to the details of biliposting for the circuses in association towns. Nothing definite resulted and it was agreed that the circus committee should meet the billposters at a second and final meeting which was heid, as per arrangement, last Monday at the Auditorium Annex.

Chas. and John Ringling were in attendance to represent Ringling Bros.; Gordon W. Lillie ("Pawnee Biil") and Louis E. Cooke, the "Two Biils Wiid West"; R. M. Harvey, Hagenback-Waliace; Pete and Gus Sun, Sun Bros.; Al Campbell, Campbell Bros.; Fred Golimer, Golimer Bros.; James Meyer, Mighty Haag; Fred Bailinger, John Sparks; Walter L. Main, Main's Show; John Robinson and Ed. Knupp, John Robinson, and Edward Arlington (who heid proxies from Harry Tammen to represent the Selis-Floto show, and his own organization, "101 Ranch Wild West." The

official committee comprised Chas. Ringling, Harvey and Arlington, who also represented, by proxy. Tammen, the president of the Showmen's Association.

Directors Link, McAleney, Robbins, Kindt, Chenelle et ai were the factotums for the Billposters' Association. An open discussion of ail sides of the question was held with everybody participating. The final session included only the original adjustment committee of circus men and the billpost-The showmen were unable to come to any arrangement which in any manner satisfied them. The billposters adhered to their schedule, which demands an increase of rates averaging from twenty to forty per cent. in various towns throughout the country and positively insisted upon the former ration of tickets as additional perquisites. The interests dead-locked and the circus men re-

The action is final and binding upon the Showmen's Association as an organization, but individual members, if they choose to do so, may contract with the national organization. It is not at all likely, however, that any of the shows will go back on their newly formed association. Each member is under cash bond to abide by the action of the main body of the organization, and in the matter of bill-posting and other affairs of mutual concern it is believed that the white toppers will for the first time in the history of circusdom stand together.

The Showmen's Association will meet again, April 13. at the Havlin Hotel, Cincinnati. Meanwhile the various shows will undertake to contract the boards of individual members of the Billposter's Association, and in towns where no arrangement can be made boards will be erected.

BECK GOING ABROAD.

The Mauretania Feb. 1 will carry Martin Beck across the water for a stay of four or six weeks on the other side. Charles Feleky of the Orpheum's Circuit Producing Department will accompany Mr. Beck. Pleasure only is the object of the visit.

Monday Mr. Beck expects to attend the meeting of the directors of the Kohl-Castle properties in the west. The gathering is to be at Chicago. Nothing beyond routine matters is expected to result from the conference.

In leaving New York just at this time, Mr. Beck, it is reported, may allow some matters to remain in abeyance until his return.

In connection with the reports of "merger" meetings which are aimed for the formation of a colossal vaude-ville "Trust," it is said that there are other secret meetings going on, the proposed amalgamation having many arms, with each arm attempting to help itself to what looks the best.

"UP AND DOWN" GOING OUT.

Chicago, Jan. 26.

It is reported that the Shubert production of "Up and Down Broadway" will pass out altogether at the ending of this week or next. It is in this territory.

LOOKING FOR ATTRACTION.

The new George M. Cohan theatre at Broadway and 43d Street, is completed, but without an available attraction. It was at first planned for Mr. Cohan to write the piece with which the house named after him would open.

With a change of pian, no suitable attraction appeared upon the horizon. Just now Cohan & Harris are looking forward to a possible opening of a new show which will fit into the situation.

KELLY IN A MONOLOG.

No more sketches awhile for Wililam J. Kelly. He was in stock before vaudeville, and has tried but a number of regulation pieces.

Mr. Kelly's next appearance is to be as a monologist, in "one," with Freeman Bernstein looking out for the

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CINCY'S CHANGES IN POLICIES.

Cincinnati, Jan. 26.

Commencing Sunday eight acts will be offered at the Orpheum, for 10-20-30. It will be a change in prices and policy of entertainment. Lately sixteen acts have been played.

William Morris will continue to manage and book the house. The grade of show is announced as of high class, and of a calibre to appear at the St. Louis Princess, Morris booking for that theatre also.

The appearance of Vesta Victoria at the Orpheum, followed by Geo. Lashwood this week was expected to renew a boom for the Morris house. The scheme of big shows was to be tried for two weeks. The Victoria engagement practically settled it, however, though Lashwood opened last Sunday and is still playing, but not to large business.

Miss Victoria's engagement was disappointing to the management. The Orpheum played to less than \$4,000 on the week, with a long bill besides the headliner. Her salary was \$2,500.

THE FIRST SUMMER SHOW.

Chicago, Jan. 26.

The Colonial has already arranged for its summer entertainment. April 10 "The Hotel Eve," a musical comedy or "French vaudeville" (as Frazee & Lederer term it) will be produced to run as long as it makes money on the stage where the same firm produced "Mme. Sherry" last season.

"MADAME SHERRY," "NO. 5."

The fifth or "E" "Madame Sherry" company is organizing to cover New England territory and Nova Scotia. Three "Sherry" companies are now on tour. In a Pennsylvania town the other night police had to be called to preserve order 1750ang the box office of the theatre where the "No. 4" was to show.

Elizabeth Murray, of the original cast at the Amsterdam New York, tendered her resignation two weeks ago Wednesday, and expected to leave the performance that day of this week. Murray may hop right into vaudeville, opening for her return engagement at Hamn cretein's.

FOUR MORTONS' LAST SEASON.

Chicago, Jan. 26.

This will be the last season for the Four Mortons. So a Variety representative was informed by Saim Morton, the husband and father of the act. The Mortons have been immensely successful in their invasion of the "small time." They are in great demand having played the Kedzie, an "Association house" at a salary of \$800 twice within four weeks.

The dissolution of the present act arrives through the insistence of the husband of Clara that she retire from the stage. He is a wealthy business man and has been much adverse to Clara's appearance since her marriage, but yielded to the pressure of the family.

Paul Morton is thinking of arranging an act with his wife for next season. Mrs. (Kitty) Morton may retre, though it is possible that Sam will attempt to secure value from the fame of the name of The Four Mortons, as well known as any variety act ever playing.

Before the present season ends the Mortons may play New York, then accept an offer made them to go over the Pantages time, or may go west direct from here.

BUYING CARTER'S MELOS.

Chicago, Jan. 26.

A couple of Lincoln J. Carter melodramas have been purchased by William Rock. Mr. Rock played at the Majestic last week. While here he saw Mr. Carter, securing the pleces, mainly for the effects. One is guaranteed to have, after the boiling down process for vaudeville, a thrill a second. They are very melodramatic. Mr. Rock expects to make the productions upon returning to the east in a couple of months.

Some managers in town have been approached by Carter, according to report, who has offered to give them melodramatic sketches for their vaudeville houses at extremely low figures. He has interested several in the proposition.

WAKEFIELD ON "SMALL TIME." Chicago, Jan. 26.

Among the "big names" billed for future appearances in the smaller time vaudeville houses playing feature acts is that of Willa Holt Wakefield, who is about concluding a tour of the Interstate Circuit.

B. A. Myers, the New York agent, booked Miss Wakefield around here.

FROM THE CHOCOLATE SOLDIER.

A repertoire of songs for a vaudeville debut is being arranged by Edith Bradford, who last appeared in "The Chocolate Soldier."

WEST END PARK WON'T OPEN.

New Orleans, Jan. 26.

West End Park will not reopen until the summer of 1912. Improvements by the city will not be completed before then. The city took over the park at the expiration of the traction company lease.

The Spanish Fort resort on Lake Pontchartrain opens in May. Vaudeville will be an attraction. Probably the Orpheum Circuit will book it.

AFTER THAT "GOLD MEDAL."

The race is on for the Gold Medal offered by the Colonial theatre for the headliner posted for four consecutive weeks, who draws the most money into the treasury.

Genee commenced last week, closing with a high mark of around \$11,400. The utmost capacity at the Colonial with the present scale of prices is slightly over \$12,000.

This week Nat Goodwin is having a try. Monday matinee he surpassed the first Monday show by Genee, the week before, sixty dollars worth. Again in the evening Mr. Goodwin climbed over the Genee total just a little. Next week Valeska Suratt is the big card at the house, and the Monday after Eva Tanguay starts upon the final lap.

Betting around Broadway resorts has been 2-1 and take your choice. It is said that whoever spends about \$1,000 of their salary at the box office during the week, pushing the capacity beyond its normal limit, will capture the medal. The cost of the medal is placed at \$1,000.

McCARRON, STAGE MANAGER.

For the new Harris and Lasky Folies Bergere, John H. McCarron has been selected as stage manager. In conjunction with Mr. McCarron, M. Curti of the Olympia, Paris, is also under contract to the firm for duty at the new house as ballet master. The staging of the revues to be shown at the new Parisian music hall in New York will fall to the lot of George Marion.

KOLB GOING TO COAST.

Chicago, Jan. 26.

The "Summer Widowers" act with William Kolb in the lead, at the Majostic this week, is bound for the Coast, over the Orpheum Circuit. While west there is said to be a chance that Kolb and Dill will again get together, Dill having been unsuccessful in musical comedy productions at the Golden Gate.

Max Rogers, who was the partner of Kolb in the original act as presented in New York, may appear in the east in the same piece, though it is reported the Shuberts have engaged the German comedian for their new Winter Garden, now expected to open about March 1.

According to the story, Kolb and liogers had a contract with the Shuberts which practically guaranteed the couple \$60,000 within two years. Upon the separation of the act and the attending circumstances, this contract was a matter of contention.

THOMPSON TRIES ANOTHER.

"Money Talks" is another sketch the veteran actor, William H. Thompson expects to place before the vaudeville going public. The new piece Mr. Thompson displayed through one performance at the Greenpoint, Brooklyn, this week.

Two sketches presented by Mr. Thompson during the present season so far, were found not available. "VAUDE" IN BROOKLYN G. O. H.

Beginning with last Thursday John Springer, the manager of the Grand Opera House, Brooklyn, decided to give vaudeville a tryout at the house. A bill was booked in for the last four days of the week at a cost of over \$1,000 for 12 acts.

Beginning with next week a regular full week will be played with a twelveact show, costing in the neighborhood of \$1,800.

Shea & Shay are booking. For the last half of this week McMahon s "Pullman Porter Maids," Lew Welch and Co. in "Levinsky's Old Shoes," Warren and Brockway, Nelson, Oswald and Borger, Armstrong and Whelan, The Thrillers, Wilson and Hayes, Edwards and Edwards, Borroughs, Holiday and Borroughs and Georgia Lee, appeared.

The house will play two shows a day with prices ranging from 10 to 50 cents.

10-CENTER HOLDS OVER STAR.

Chicago, Jan. 26.

Amelia Bingham is held over this week at the Willard, a ten-cent "pop" house, reported to be paying Miss Bingham \$1,250 per week.

At the President, another house on the same lines and in the near neighborhood, McDowell and Trescott are holding over also.

BERT WILLIAMS IN DOUBLE ACT.

At the Criterion Club this Sunday Bert Williams, the colored comedian, will appear in a double act, with Rosamond Johnson, former partner of Bob Cole.

Johnson is a pianist. If the "double" goes over well, there may be a chance the team will continue, after Williams closes the season with "The Follies."

RANSOME HAS A PARTNER.

In "Happy Dutch, the Burglar" which is to appear next week as a vaudeville sketch under the booking direction of Jack Levy, John W. Ransome will appear with a partner, Chas. E. Verner.

Previously Mr. Ransome has been playing as a monologist.



FROSINI
"The Musical Genius."

As he appears in his present specialty. Frosini will sall shortly for Europe to fulfill contracts. European Agent, Bornhaupt.

"OLD ADAM" A SUCCESS.

Paris, Jan. 13.

The long expected piece by G. de Porto-Riche, "Le Viell Homme," which has been talked about in French theatrical circles for some years, was finally produced at the Theatre de la Renaissance Jan. 14, and scored a success.

The plot shows the old Adam which reawakens in Michel Fontanet, the head of a printing office in the French provinces, whither he has gone to be away from the galety of Paris.

The rights of this work have been bought for America, and it may be produced in New York next season, but it will require careful handling. The play is long and wearlsome, though there are several strong situations and some witty dialog. It is in five acts, always the same set, and seven roles

Mme. Simone is evidently not worried over the pearl necklace scandal, for she has studied her part of the tender wife to perfection, while Tarride as the deceiving husband again proves himself to be a great actor. The role of the son is ungrateful for Mile. Margel.

But "Le Vieil Homme" (the old man) is a tremendous success here, and there has been no premiere so enthusiastic since "Chantecler." As dramatic work it is superior to Rosamatic work in the superior to Rosamatic work in the superior wo

AGENT OFFICE "CLOSED."

Berlin, Jan. 16.

The agency office in Berlin of Sherek & Braff, of London, has been closed here, the police taking the step through some infractions.

MAY SUE NAT GOODWIN.

One of the outside agents who it was first rumored had the placing of Nat Goodwin for vaudeville before the contracts were finally consummated through the Pat Casey Agency, is reported to have placed a claim for commissions or salary as "business representative" in the hands of his attorney, for collection.

The "outside agent" claims he has an agreement which gives him the exclusive right to attend to the business affairs and bookings of the actor in vaudeville for the months of January, February and March.

NO CHANCE FOR CARTER.

It seems as though there were but slight possibility that vaudeville will have Mrs. Leslie Carter-Payne as a headline feature at least for the present. Last week the titian haired star pulled more than \$12,000 to the West End theatre box office.

PREMIERE IN BALTIMORE.

Halleck Reid's drama, "To Serve the Cross" will see the light at the Academy of Music, Baltimore, Feb. 6. The principal character is that of a Roman Catholic Priest.

In the cast will be found Theodore Roberts, Orrin Johnson, Raiph Delmore, Harold Vosburgh, Helen Holmes, Olive West, Bigelow Cooper, W. J. Brady, Wm. Inghram, Fred S. Stanton and Jean Marcel.

COPYRIGHTED \$1,000 MONOLOG.

Under date of Jan. 14 Jos. A. Mitchell had copyrighted as "A Humorous Lecture" a monolog entitled "The Globe Trotter."

Mr. Mitchell disposed of the material this week to Nat M. Wills for \$1,000. Mr. Mitchell is of Mitchell and Quinn, a vaudeville act. The author of the \$1,000 monolog has written considerable matter for professionals.

A CAFE TRIO.

The rathskeller trio thing has been advanced a peg or more by Mose Gumble of the Remick publishing house. Mr. Gumble and his wife (Clarice Vance) returned Monday from a vacation in the Bermudas.

With his return Mose corraled Geo. Botsford, Billy Cripps and Sammy Collins. When together Mr. Gumble notified them they were a trio, for the sole purpose of visiting the highest grade cafes and restaurants in New York. During their visit it would be the duty of the orchestras to play the Remick hits, when the trio could "boost" the numbers further along by singing the songs.

A start was made Wednesday at Shanley's in the Long Acre Building. The men enjoyed the novelty of traveling over the Lobster and Wine Circuit, although the trio did not harmonize on the second selection at the Long Acre restaurant. As the orchestra started off on the first verse of "Winter," Mr. Cripps found himself mixed up with a mutton chop, while Mr. Collins had reached the centre of a Pilsener stein. Each finished in time, however, to close strong on the last two lines of the chorus that Mr. Botsford was handling alone. From then on the trio did their eating and drinking on a schedule that would not interfere with the "plugging."

JEWISH ACTRESS FOR "VOOD."

The latest legitimate start to flock to the ranks of vaudeville is Mme. Malvina Lovel, the noted Jewish tragedienne, who has been hailed by the dramatic students to be a greater "Madam X." than either Mme. Sarah Bernhardt or Dorothy Donnelly.

Mme. Lovel is having an act written by C. T. Dazey which will be placed in rehearsal next week. The debut in vaudeville will be made under the direction of Maurice S. Revnes. In the supporting cast will be found John de Jara Almonte, who was the general director of the Hammerstein Opera House in Philadelphia.

Bill Lykens has the placing of the act.

NEW "CHANTECLER" TRAVESTY?

The Morris office this week was thinking of presenting a new version of "Chantecler" in the form of another travesty, differing from that of last summer under the Morris auspices, and which was named "Chanticlair."

If the burlesque should be placed in rehearsal, it was said Montgomery and Moore will take part. At the office of William Morris, no one could be found who could confirm the story.

NAMED AFTER THEATRE BORN IN. Boston, Jan. 26.

A go-cart was presented to little Catherine Hub Pisano at the Hub Theatre last night by Manager Joe Mack. Catherine is the month-old daughter of Kitty Bingham (Mrs. Fred Pisano in private life). The child was born Dec. 27 in a dressing room of the Hub and was given the house title for her middle name.

MANAGER MARRIES.

St. Louis, Jan. 26.

It has just been announced here that R. J. Weber, who controls the Weber Circuit of theatres in Illinois, and Jeanne Nortman, a vaudeville actress, were married here over a week ago.

Mrs. Weber's last professional appéarance in New York was as a member of Henry B. Harris' "Skylark" company.

PULLING AND BULLING TROVATO

Trovato the violinist has undergone a siege of pull and bull this week. The persuasion has been to induce him to continue playing in United Booking Offices theatres for the few weeks intervening before he shall take boat for Londontown.

By the terms of a William Morris contract, Trovato is under agreement to appear at the American, New York, Monday, for a weekly salary of \$500. The United does not want to see the violinist "flop," but the big agency will not meet that advance in Trovato's salary to retain him.

It was reported Trovato had set his figure for future United time, but the United had not risen to it by Wednesday, though that day it was said that there was an even chance of Trovato appearing or not appearing at the American as per contract.

KITTY ON THE FENCE.

The Morris Circuit may be featuring Kitty Gordon ere long. There were talks during the week about the titian haired singer "jumping" to the "independent." Miss Gordon is at the Manhattan Opera House this week, her second in vaudeville.

Geo. S. O'Brien is pointing the way to the Morris time for Miss Gordon, who is reported to have set her figure for the other side of the rail at \$1,750 weekly.

BETH TATE.

Beth Tate is the latest product of California to make a hit with eastern vaudeville audiences. Endowed with a charming personality, combined with youthful animation. Miss Tate would seem to be possessed with all the essentials that go to make a vaudeville headliner.

Opening at the Olympic, New York, coming direct from stock work in San Francisco, Miss Tate received offers immediately to appear in the larger vaudeville houses. She has been meeting with steady success, in the out of town houses since. Next week Miss Tate will have her first real New York showing at Hammerstein's Victoria.

Pictures of the California girl are on the front page.

MAY LOSE WINNIPEG.

Chicago, Jan. 26.

It is not unlikely that the Walker Opera House, Winnipeg, will stop playing big vaudeville shortly. The house has been using acts from the

Next week a Klaw & Erlanger show will appear in the theatre, due to an old contract, it is said. Whether the Walker will reopen with Morris vaude-

Walker will reopen with Morris vaudeville is open to doubt, but the house may attach itself to the Churchill chain, or possibly become a link in the

Pantages time.

William Morris office.

The Walker management believes that with the excessive cost of transportation from Chicago here, and the forthcoming opening of the new Orpheum, it would be impracticable to attempt to compete with the latter in the presentation of big time shows. The Morris office and all others conversant with the conditions agree whin im. The date which is the latest one set for the opening of the Orpheum is now March 13.

OPPOSITION IN THE ORIENT.

Chicago, Jan. 26.

Three American magicians will eventually be competing in the Orient, unless present plans fail. Clivette is arranging a tour which starts early in the spring. Vic Hugo, manager of the Majestic, Cedar Rapids, now holds an interest in a company which is said to have already cleaned up \$17,000 in the Far East and has closed a contract with Herr Jansen to send him across the Pacific at the head of another company.

"MISS FIX-IT" STARTS.

"Little Miss Fix-It" has been finally decided upon by Messrs. Werba and Luescher as the vehicle in which they will star Nora Bayes and Jack Norworth. The piece is from the pen of William J. Hurlburt, who is the author of "The Fighting Hope," in which Blanche Bates is starring, and "The Writing on the Walls" of Olga Nethersole's repertory. "Miss Fix-It" is the first comedy that he has attempted.

This piece was placed in rehearsal at the Liberty Theatre this week and the out-of-town premier is set for Feb. 28, one day after the contract that the two stars have with F. Zeigfeld expires. After a road tour of two or three weeks it is believed that the show will have a New York hearing.

ABIE TO TELL.

To tell the stories of his ring battles as a monologist in vaudeville is the bee under the bonnet of Abe Attel, champion feather weight. Strewd Mr. Attel expects to reel off the talk at Hammerstein's some time next month, when he will be featured as a "single".

A. O. H.'S "YIDDISH" PUSE.

The Ancient Order of Hibernians
has agreed to erect a "Yiddish" playhouse for David Kossler, at 116th
street and Fifth avenue. Mr. Kessler
and a large-sized member of the organization discussed the proposition
together. Herts & Talent may be selected as the architects.

OLD UNION TO BE REVIVED.

Chicago, Jan. 26.

Last Friday a meeting was held for the purpose of organizing members of former Local No. 4, Actors' Union. in a new body which is to be incorporated under the Illinois laws and to affiliate with organized labor outside of the American Federation of Labor, the body of which the White Rats Actors' Union is now a part.

This action was hastened by the expulsion from the W. R. A. U. of John Nome, the president of the old local at the time the White Rats affiliated with organized labor.

John Budzilini, the secretary of Local No. 4, resigned from the W. R. A. U. the day after he was initiated, and a week later Nome was expelled.

One hundred and four members of the old Local No. 4 were taken into the affiliated organization, upon payment of the initial fee of \$3. About March 1 there will be another \$5 due, and it is expected that this requirement will reduce the number considerably.

There were 450 members of the old Local No. 4 at the time of the affiliation. Nome and Budzilini expect to form their new organization from this nucleus. The original name, International Actors' Union, will be used for the incorporated title of the new union.

STRIKE ON AND OFF.

Montreal, Can,, Jan. 26.

There was a rumor in this city that the International Vaudeville Artists' Union was to cail a strike of the acts in some of the booked "small time" houses in this vicinity.

Although the strike was officially scheduled to take place it was learned to-day that the date has been advanced and that there will be no immediate trouble.

According to Jean Manual, supposed to be the head of the union, it would seem as though a number of irresponsible Greek and Syrian managers who have the smaller houses here are the principal disturbers.

VANCOUVER NOT SHOCKED,

Vancouver, Wash., Jan. 26.

Connihan and Shannon's "The Chinatown Trunk Mystery" was presented here Jan. 14 at the opera house after having the stamp of approval placed upon it by the Mayor, Sheriff, Chief of Police and several Police Magistrates at a special performance given for their benefit.

Efforts were made by the Chinese Society of Native-Born of Portland, in an attempt to stop the show, in the same manner that occurred in the latter city. It was unsuccessful.

MARRIED IN CHICAGO.

Chicago, Jan. 26.

Al. McGu bis of the McGuinis Brothers was married here a short while ago to Nora Kernan of Paul's "Six Juggling Girls." The boys will remain teacher while their wives will frame up a juggling turn.

Buckner is playing his wheel bet at Bayonne, N. J., this week. Buckner is appearing in it himself.

Coming Soor' SIN KIRKSMITH SISTERS

OPEN WEEK AND NEW SHOW.

With the closing of Hurtig & Seamon's Metropolis theatre this Saturday ngiht as an Eastern Burlesque Wheel stand, there will be an open week on the circuit between the Murray Hill theatre, New York, and Providence, R. I.

The announced original intention of the Columbia Amusement officials was to close up that expected open week by the addition to the Wheel of the new Columbia, Chicago. The statement is now made that with the entrance of the Columbia, the new show to be produced by John G. Jermon will take to the Eastern route, leaving the week in the east caused by the dropping of the Metropolis still open.

Charles E. Blaney is to have the Metropolis and may play stock there. The elimination leaves the Bronx section as far as burlesque is concerned wholly to the Miners, who have the Western Wheel theatre in that section.

Hurtig & Seamon and the Miners have played a game of wait all season hoping the other would quit the field. Several deals have been proposed. The Metropolis has been often spoken of as a possible deserter from the Eastern Wheel, due to the very light business that house has been favored with. The Bronx did not do much better in the way of patronage, but had a more favorable location.

"The Dainty Duchess" will be the show to "lay off" next week, owing to the Metropolis closing.

BUILDING TWO.

Newark, N. J., Jan. 26.

It is now stated that there will be two new houses built in Newark for next season. One is to be erected by the Western Burlesque Wheel, and will adjoin Proctor's Bijou Dream. The circuit is obliged to secure a new home for its shows, the Empire passing from the possession of the Miners.

The second house is announced for musical comedy and burlesque, located in a central spot, and a report says the Eastern Wheel may have it.

It is also said that if F. F. Proctor decides to give up the picture show now running at the Bijou, he will place a stock company in that house.

BURLESQUERS ON TRIP.

James Curtin, C. T. Dinkins and Ed. Miner are with the Shriners on their pilgrimage to Bermuda. The trip started Thursday of last week and will end Monday.

FENNESSY HAS RELAPSE.

Cincinnati, Jan. 26.

James E. Fennessy, the Empire Circuit manager, has suffered a relapse and is said to be closely confined to his bed because of the recurrence or troubles, following an injury which he sustained in a local gymnasium over a year ago. He transacts only the necessary details of his business, dictating letters to a stenographer at his bedside.

GOING BACK TO DIXIE? New Orleans, Jan. 26.

New Orleans is to have burlesque again if we are to place credence in a current report. It is known that Henry Greenwall has made overtures to the Columbia Amusement Co. with that purpose in view, and 'tis said that the officials of that company are looking with favor upon his proposition.

Several officials of the Eastern Wheel will visit the south shortly, and consider the reinstallation of extravaganza in Dixie. New Orleans, as a burlesque town, stood third among the cities of this country. If the Columbia people don't want the chance, Mr. Greenwall may place a musical comedy stock company in the city.

PLAYED THOUGH INJURED.

During the Monday matinee at the Columbia, New York, Mabel Leslie, leading woman of "The Big Banner Show" (Gallagher & Shean) gave her full performance. Not until after the matinee was over did Miss Leslie know whether all her ribs were intact or not. She had been hastily bandaged after an accident while on her way to the theatre. Though the doctor advised that she go to the hospital for an examination. Miss Leslie insisted upon going through her part.

As Miss Leslie was crossing a street after leaving her Hariem home, the shaft of a heavy truck struck her. In a taxi she was conveyed to the theatre.

ACTRESS A PRESS AGENT.

Peoria, Ill., Jan. 26.

Frank Raymon and wife arrived from Chicago last week and have settled down as regular citizens. Raymon will manage the new Orpheum, nearing completion, and comes at this time to take charge of the final details of furnishing and fitting out the property. He was recently manager of the Academy, Chicago, for practically the same interests which will control the new theatre.

His wife is the well known actress. Katie Emmett, who has retired from the stage to assist her husband in making a success of the new venture. She will be publicity promoter and has already began the propaganda among local newspapers.

The Orpheum will have as opposition the new house which E. P. Churchill is building to take the place of his present Main street theatre. There is a spirited rivalry between the two promoters, as to which one will have their house ready for the earliest open-

FIGHTERS ADDED ATTRACTIONS.

Gordon & North have added "Battling" Nelson and Al. Kaufman to two of their attractions, namely, "The Merry Whirl" and "The Passing Pa-Nelson will travel with the former while they are playing Washington this week and Baltimore next. Kaufman will be with the "Passing Parade" while that attraction is playing Wilkesbarre and Scranton next week.

Dan Doty will travel with the "Parade" show for two weeks or so to whip several new numbers into shape for the New York showing.

GILMORE ON NEW CIRCUIT. Springfield, Mass., Jan. 26.

The Gilmore theatre has announced that next season it will be on the circuit forming by the L. Lawrence Weber Co-Operative Circuit, playing the various attractions that enterprise promises.

MUSICAL SHOWS ALTERNATING. San Francisco, Jan. 26.

Snitz Edwards is principal comedian with the Broadway Musical Comedy Co., opening at the Chutes, Jan. 22, and alternating with the James Lee Co. at the Wigwam.

The following principals have been secured for the two companies: Broadway, Frank Mack, F. C. Baker, Hilda Carle, Ethel Martelle, Myrtle Vane, Ethel Hall, with Harry James, director.

James Lee Co.: Le Roy Kingston, James Lee, Homer King, Orin Knight, Marie Barbiera, Clara Merk, Madeline Lee and Elsie Benson.

HILL SHOW HAS RECORD.

The record for the season at the Columbia, New York, was taken by his "Midnight Maidens" last week, according to Mr. Hill.

No amount of receipts was given, but the total for the engagement is reported at a little less than \$7,000.

SUES FOR DAMAGES.

Seattle, Jan. 26.

Suit was brought this week by Edward Armstrong against R. and Mrs. Sarah Shannon. Action is based upon a claim of \$5,400 for damages and \$1,200 alleged to be due besides.

Armstrong states he contracted with the Shannons Dec. 5 to play the Armstrong Musical Co. for twelve weeks from Dec. 12, at the Star on a 60-40 basis. The company opened at the Star, but Armstrong alleges he was forced to vacate at the end of three weeks.

COMMONWEALTH WIND-UP.

La Fayette, Ind., Jan. 26.

The Victoria has again pulled a flivver as a vaudeville house. E P. Churchill tried last spring to conduct successful opposition to the Family, an "Association" booked house, and last fall Schlessinger & Harris made an effort to make the house pay with William Morris bookings.

The end of the latest regime came in the middle of last week when Sam Bristow, the Chicago attorney for William Morris, Inc., came to town and took charge of the house. Bristow made Danny Ahern treasurer and Saturday night the money which was then on hand, as a result of the last-half takings, was divided pro rata among the performers, giving each act nearly one-third of the total amount contracted for.

S-C IN TEXAS.

San Antonio, Tex., Jan. 26.

It has been settled upon and closed that Sullivan-Considine will play vaudeville in the new house building here. Sid Weis, the promoter of the theatre, completed the arrangements last week with Sam Du Vries, representing S-C, who was in the city.

The theatre will not open before next season.

MIKE SCOTT COMES BACK.

"Made an eleven dollar jump to meet Broadway" said Mike Scott as he wandered up and down the Big Alley the other day looking for Billy Gould.

"It's three years since I have seen this street, and since I've been away I've seen every other street between here and New Foundland, said Mr. Scott.

"I don't know where I will open at. I told Pat Casey to get me Hammerstein's, but I don't know about the price. I'll take \$30 if it it's only twoa-day, but I don't mind three, though if they want my act with the pedestal dance in it the price will be \$40.

"Yes, I am probably the most popular Irishman in the world, and of course everybody knows I am the greatest dancer. Everywhere I go you can hear people say 'There's Mike Scott, The Dublin Boy,' and I'm used to it now. While I was away, some 300 miles the other side of Quebec, I used to read VARIETY and I would see a lot of flivvers appearing around New York. Why, I could draw more money in the house than any of them. And I have played more houses than all of them. Any number of those acts I have read about at Hammerstein's never played but one theatre in their lives, and that was Hammerstein's that week. It isn't right for good reputable acts which have worked years for their reputation, like us, to be laying around here while these flivvers are working.

"The city hasn't changed much. My friends Nash and Casey are in the Shanley building now, and I like to see the Irishmen get together that way. Where I've been playing there were a lot of Swedes but they got my stuff. You remember my act, two songs, two jokes and then to the pedestal dance I've only used the nedestal seven times in three years. I don't give that turn to every house. I am traveling with two acts now, with the pedestal and without the pedestal.

'I didn't mean to come back to Broadway, but I got a letter from a manager in Waterbury, Vt., and then I says 'Mike, this is no country for you anymore' so I makes the elevendollar jump. Here's the letter:

Waterbury, Vt., Jan. 4. Dear Sir:

."Replying to yours will say I book independent and can not pay the regular prices as we have only one show an evening, no matinee, and small houses.

"My price, single, is \$2 an act and board, for the three days or the week, and we have had some of the best on the road. I have Jan. 9 open and can place you.

(signed) T. H. O'Brien,

Mgr. Op. House. "I couldn't cut my price down to \$9 weekly. Six shows at \$2 each, with \$3 less for board. I want to see Billy Gould. I hear he's doing a single and I would like to get the prices around here now for good acts."

MORRIS GIVES NOTICE.

All the independent club agents have been notified by the William Morris office that they can no longer place "Morris acts" without first having obtained permission of the "big office."

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Maud Lambert says that she is not

going to open at the American Mondav. Fanny McVey is the new leader of

Bozeman Bulger's piece, "Swat Milligan."

Marie Racko and partner will open at the Colonial, Feb. 27. It is an equilibristic turn.

The King Bros. Wild West is wintering on the farm of Sherman Abram, near Levington, Ky.

The Cottrell-Powells, equestrians. have been engaged for next season with the Ringling show.

Archie Ellis, treasurer of the Hyde & Behman company, has recovered from his recent illness.

"Starting Something" written by James Slevin, will be the sketch Robert Cummings is to appear in.

Tom Austin is ill at his home in Dayton, O., causing the Austin Brothers to cancel fifteen weeks.

Jeanette Lowrie is to appear at the American, New York, Feb. 6, as a "single," placed by Geo. S. O'Brien.

Lon Moore, of Defiance, Ohio, a circus clown, joined a mid-winter circus at Rochester the first of the month.

The Peerless, one of Brooklyn's newest "pop" houses, has been opened at 58th street and Fifth avenue, by Messrs. Kensey and Lane.

The father of Dave Jones (Bernard and Jones) died in New York last week. The deceased was a brotherin-law of Sam Bernard.

May Wall, with Rice and Cady's "Beauty Trust" will leave that Eastern Burlesque Wheel show to enter vaudeville with Sherman and Rose.

B. A. Myers is placing Bernard Daly, the Irish comedian for vaudeville. Mr. Daly has just finished a starring tour in "Sweet Innisfallen."

"Those Three Girls," a "rathskeller act," has been placed by Helen Lehman, its manageress, to open at Yonkers Monday.

Stained Glass in the "manager's room" of the United Booking Offices, stops the agents from peering within the "school room."

Kitty Gordon may remain in vaudeville for ten weeks, Bill Lykens says, if the Shuberts do not interrupt her. Mr. Lykens is agent for Kitty.

Winnifred Florence is having a novelty singing turn prepared by Havez and Donnelly and will shortly make her appearance in vaudeville.

Mrs. Jack Artois, widow of the late comedy acrobat, has reformed the Artois Duo, with another man replacing her husband. The act opened Monday at Lynn, Mass.

Adler's Opera House at Marshfield, Wis., which has housed road attractions and vaudeville, is now a "regular" picture place, using "Independent" films.

McCormack and Wallace, with a new ventriloquial production, will play at the Hudson, Union Hill, N. J., next week, placed by Weber, Albee & Evans.

"The Stranger" in which Wilton Lackage is to star (through the good agency offices of Bill Lykens), opens at Plainfield, N. J., for the first showing Feb. 11.

The Smiths Greater Shows are wintering in Augusta, Georgia. The show closed down two weeks ago and arrived in Augusta on Sunday night of last week.

Violet MacMillan will return to vaudeviile, at the Piaza, next week in a new act arranged by Harry Leonhardt. Miss MacMilian left a short trip in the varieties to appear in "Girlies."

Blanche Ring is to shortly start her initial trip through the southern states as the star of "The Yankee Giri." Early in the spring the company will head westward toward the Pacific.

Leslie Hunt retired for the cast of the Fred Ray Players a shor: time ago and is at present at Wallack's in the Leibler production of "Ponimander Walk."

Donovan and Arnold will probably be replaced for a few months after Feb. 1 by Jim Donovan as a "single." His wife, Reta Arnold, intends remaining at home to do some necessary sewing.

H. E. ("Punch") Wheeler, one of the best known publicity promoters in the country, is at present working in the interests of the International Aviation Company.

Joe Peterman has been replaced by another comedian in the production of "Chicks in the Wood," at the Hippodrome, London. The new comedian is not named on the program.

The Wheeler & Downie circus will start from Oxford, Pa., in the spring. Some of Barnum & Bailey's old show wagons have been purchased and are being repainted. Captain Snider is training two cub bears to travel with the show

Frank Tinney is breaking into the managerial end. He expects to corral many new acts on his present Orpheum trip. Tinney has had his eyes on the booking thing for a long time and was successful last season in placing a number of acts with the Western Vaudeville Association.

Byrd Dougherty, who at present is holding the post of musical director with "The Goddess of Liberty" will leave for Europe when the season closes. It is Mr. Dougherty's aim to devote his time while abroad to the construction of a musical score for "The Littie White Soul," by John Luther Long. When Mr. Dougherty goes across he will be accompanied by his wife, now Marjorie Cook, a member of "The Goddess" company. The wedding will take place just before sailing and the trip will serve as a honeymoon

The division of the former Moss-Stoll Tour lines up the respective chains as follows:

Moss Circuit (Sir Edward Moss):

London Hippodrome Empire, Finsbury Park Empire, New Cross Broadway, New Cross Empire, Stratford Alexandria, Stoke Newington Empire, Cardiff Empire, Newport Philharmonic, Cardiff Andrews, Cardiff Andrews, Cardiff Newington Empire, Cardiff Empire, Swansca Empire, Newport Philharmonic, Cardiff Andrews, Cardiff Empire, Nottingham Empire, Glasgow

Empire, Newcastle Empire, Edinburgh

These are also booked in conjunction with the Moss halls: Empire, Sunderland, Empire, West Hartlypool; Empire, South Shields; Empire, Dublin; Empire, Belfast; His Majesty's, Walsall; Imperiai Hall, Waisall; Grand, Nottingham.

Stell Circuit (Oswald Stell): Coliscum, London Hippodrome, Croyden Hackney Empire, Lon-Hippodrome, Manches-don ter don Shepherd's Bush, Lon- Empire, Manchester don Palace, Leicester

The Stoll announcements are to the effect that arrangements for additional theatres include (all in London) Middlesex, Fulham Empire, Chiswick Empire, Kiiburn Coliseum, King's Cross Hippodrome, Kennington Empire, Bristol Hippodrome, Chatham Empire.

The elevator service in the Putnam Building is in for an awful panning. Ever since Tuesday when five or six of the feminine contingent, who eke out an existence in the building, were caught and held between floors for over two hours, there have been meetings every day to discuss what they shall do for future protection. The young women have formed an Anti-Elevator Association to be known as the A. E. A. for the protection of young girls against elevators. Officers for the new society have been selected from those caught in Tuesday's trap. Jenie Jacobs is presidentess, Sylva Hahlo, secretaryess and treasuress. Pauline Cook, sergeantess-at-arms. Kitty Nolan, vice-presidentess, Mae Nolan, vice-secretaryess and treasuress, and Nellie Fallon, vice-sergeantess-at-arms. All girls working in the building (excepting that biunette on the fifth floor) are eligible to membership. Later other buildings may be taken in. The girls all say that last Tuesday's affair was an outrage, and if it hadn't have been for Will Rogers who carried a lariat in his vest pocket. they might have been suffocated: Rogers did a neat trick by throwing the loop over the knob on the door above, pulling the car to the upper landing. where all the girls, in a fainting condition, were taken from the car.

Says Billy Gould: Until you read the names of Levi Rosenbaum, Goldberg and Biumenthal as Aviators Aeroplaning will not be a safe business.

Saw that young man Ted. D. Marks on Broadway the other day. I've been wondering where this kid has been hiding of late and why?

Scamp Montgomery sent me a poem. I read it and was enjoying a good iaugh when I discovered that I was reading it upside down.

I also heard a brand new joke on the roof. My, how we laughed at it. "What is the best way to raise cab-"With a knife and fork."

THE LAST JUMP.

By Darl MacBoyle,

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Were yon ever, in your rambles, O'er this trust enburdened sphere, Asked that oft' repeated question, "Where do you go from here?" The answer's far from easy. Where you stop to dope it out! Irrespective of all doctrines, There's in every mind, a doubt. Prophets with their lore and logic. Creeds and teachings, where are they? Gone! But where? The route's a mystery! We'll all go the saffsame way! Jew and Gentile. Christian, Pagan, Red, brown, yellow, black and white Make the jump and on the journey. No one need keep to the right. Countless hordes have gone before us! More are going every day!

All the traffic down Time's highway are going every day!

All the traffic down Time's highway are going every day!

All the traffic down Time's highway are the ead, you'll find the answer; Call Him Allah, God or find.

Whether beast or cross or weptre. Or an islot made of mad fle your symbol, when He beckons, All your earthly time is off!

Though, while here, you may know Itim. When He mans be mentioned, sooff, Lave a life of fust incestions.

Fall for folly, stop to crime, Never thank of future bookings. The Herest'er's open i me. For the Awart het your number. And it's lim your days to said. There will be no near heaking. Whother good or had were role. Though for ane had were role. How My days adds. In the future. Be, "If a ven. Inheliate."

DEAD AGAINST BAD PICTURES.

Philadelphia, Jan. 26.

The recent wave of reform which began with the opposition to the presentation of "La Samaritaine" by Bernhardt, is likely to increase into a general protest against moving pictures which have a tendency to harm the mind of the young.

The ministers of various denominations backed up by the members of the Interchurch Federation intend to take action toward asking the support of the police authorities in an effort to suppress objectional features in the picture houses. According to the ring ieaders in the movement the burglar, the highwayman, the drinking man and woman and persons in scanty attire are to be driven out of the scenes in pictures. The movement gained considerable support the past week and promises to cause forceful action. Several meetings have been heid, descriptions of scenes in pictures which would tend to degrade the youthful mind were exhibited and at least one moving picture house was named as showing objectionable pictures, which, according to a school teacher "had demoralized her school."

Some of the ministers credit the numerous burglaries which have been committed recently in this city by boys, to the result of witnessing stories of crime pictured in the small theatres. One or two of the managers of picture places when spoken to regarding the movement declared that the public demanded something exciting or sensational in moving pictures, but that there was never any desire on their part to show pictures which they considered harmful to old or young.

Strong pressure is being brought to bear on Mayor Reyburn and Director of Public Safety Clay and it is expected that the officials will take immediate action. There has been some talk of having a censor appointed by Mayor Reyburn to pass upon pictures which have been released by the manufacturers before they are shown to the public.

FAM. DEPT. TAKES ORPHEUM.

Utica, N. Y., Jan. 26.
The Orpheum will start booking attractions through the Family Department of the United Booking Offices, Monday. The house will use three acts of the bigger sort weekly, playing three-a-day. Biliy Delaney will represent the house in New York.

NO PAPERS SERVED.

Up to Wednesday no papers had been served in the action it was stated would be taken against Roland West under the Copyright Law for infringement of "The Third Degree."

This week Mr. West and his protean playlet, "The Underworld" are at Poli's, Hartford, Ct. Mr. Schenck, interested in the production, stated Tuesday he had received a letter from Thompson, Vanderpoel & Freedman. attorneys representing Robert McCullouch, the author of "The Third Degree."

The piece presented over here by Henri Du Vries is the parent of all protean playlets of the criminal brand, claims Mr. Schenck.

DISPOSSESSES ON DOORS.

Monday was "hammer" day in the Knickerbocker Theatre Building. More than a half dozen doors received little notices that were applied to the outside with hammer and tacks informing the occupants that they were in arrears of rent and that the offices occupied were desired by the owners.

At least three of the half dozen are either in the show business or interested in it. Dorothy Richmond, Inc., led off the list with a notice for \$200; Perin, the palmist, followed with a bill for \$171, and the Bernard Amusement Co. ran third with \$50.

PALACE PLACED WITH AGENT.

Philadelphia, Jan. 26.
The bookings of the acts for the
Palace, one of the houses operated by
the Moving Picture Co. of America,
have been shifted again and H. Bart
McHugh will supply the bills again
after this week. McHugh had the
house before Taylor & Kaufman supplied the acts.

COHN LIKES OUTLOOK.

San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 26.

S. Morton Cohn, one of the principal factors in the organizing of the new ten-cent circuit on the Pacific siope has been making a tour of the northwest inspecting cities that are to be links in the chain of ten centers. Wires have been received here by his associates, Harris, Ackerman, Abrams and Harry Michaels, expressing a most enthusiastic opinion of conditions and requesting them to come north immediately.

Portland, Ore., Jan. 26.

S. Morton Cohn was in town last week looking over the situation. He remained several days. Expressed bimself delighted with conditions. He is to return shortly and it is believed that he and his associates will hold a general meeting here in the near future.

ANOTHER HOUSE FOR "T. B. C." Omaha, Jan. 26.

Vaudeville acts booked through the Theatrical Booking Corporation are now shown at the American, which has been booked for a few weeks by Justivan-Considine. Charles Saxe, owner of the Crystal, Milwaukee, has taken a five-year lease of the property and will give three shows a day as the permanent policy.

This is the house which William Morris, Inc., opened under an arrangement with Brandies, the department store-showman who built the piace.

THE 908TH MANAGER.

South Norwalk, Ct., Jan. 26.

The 908th manager has taken over the Music Hall, relieving Felix Reich, from New York, who thought he would show the other 900 and odd what was what in the show business. Mr. Reich flopped, as the others toppled over before him, aithough Reich stuck for a long time. He may have been a little more resourceful.

The newest aspirant to make a theatre out of the music hall, is F. H. Bostick, with a dramatic stock bug for the house.

SHEEDY TAKES SAVOY.

Fall River, Mass., Jan. 26.

M. R. Sheedy of the Sheedy Vaudeville Agency signed a lease for the Savoy here yesterday. Sheedy will present vaudeville at the house. This will give him two theatres in this city both devoted to vaudeville.

QUICK PICTURE WORK.

London, Jan. 15.

The night of the sensational battle in Stepney between the police and the Houndsditch burgiars moving pictures of it were shown at all the West End halls. The pictures are a bit blurred through the dark day. The operators couldn't get very close to the scene of the battle but puffs of smoke show the firing by the police into the house holding the anarchists. When the pictures were shown at the Paiace, the mere display of Winston Churchill's (Home Secretary) name on the sheet brought forth hisses and groans, so Churchill could never get over as a "single" there. The flims were despatched to all the Barrasford and De Frece houses the day after the fight. A big part of England saw them the night after. Up to now there has been no music hall sketch with a plot founded on the big crime offered to any of the managers, but Harry M. Vernon was an eve witness to the shoot-

PURCHASES THIRD INTEREST.

The third interest in the Bijou Circuit Co., held by the estate of Charies A. Coutant, was purchased this week by Feiber & Shea, the holders of the other two-thirds.

NEW SIXTH AVE. PLACE.

The penny arcade in New York is fast dropping from sight. The latest to change its policy and open with moving pictures last week was the Photopiay at 529 Sixth avenue, owned and controlled by the Specialty Amusement Company.

The Company acquired the storeroom on the east of the arcade, opening on 32d street, and have turned .c into the photoplay auditorium, the seating capacity being 260.

The arcade hall will very likely be turned into a museum, freaks, oddities and curios to be displayed. An admission of ten cents will admit one to the whole shooting match.

A new front has been built, new lights installed and every effort will be made to attract the shoppers of that district.

FAIR EXCHANGE.

Gladys Sears who, until several weeks ago, was one of the special features with Gus. Hills "Midnight Maidens" (Eastern Wheei) has signed with Tom Miner to become a member of the cast of "The Jardin de Paris" company. Miss Sears will join that show when it plays the Casino, Brookiyn, on Feb. 6.

It is only two or three weeks ago that Violet Pearl, for many seasons a featured soubret on the Western Wheel flopped over to the Eastern side of the fence, joining the "Midnight Maidens."

NEW SCHEME WORKS WELL.

Chicago, Jan. 26. The new booking plan which Manager Charles E. Bray put in operation recently has resulted in expediting matters at "The Association." Kerry C. Meagher has charge of a department which compiles the open time and other particulars concerning acts which apply for bookings. Twice a week the several agents who handle books on the eleventh floor meet in consultation and route acts in their various houses. It is said that by this plan the longest routes in the history of the Association have been given out during the past two weeks.

BILLING FEATURE ACT. Chicago, Jan. 26.

Earl Saiambo, of the Saiambos, is busying himself this week shipping paper to towns where he is routed on the S-C Circuit. He starts the tour at the Empress, Cincinnati, Feb. 5 and all along the route billposting will serve to attract attention to his act.

The Salambos are supplied with special half-sheets, one sheet and three sheets by a Chicago printing house and nearly \$1,000 worth of lithographed work will be used on the tour.

DIDN'T LIKE DRUMMER.

Easton, Pa., Jan. 26.

"Spot," a bucking pony with "Cheyenne Days," which was the attraction at the Able Opera House last week, decided to take a fail out of the drummer at the matinee performance on Friday. As the horse came across the stage and wheeled, he reared and ianded "ker-piunk" on the drums in the orchestra pit, wrecking them. The drummer, rider and horse all escape uninjured.

This is the third time this season that T. B. Shultz, the drummer, has had his tools of trade wrecked by actors toppling over the footlights. One of the hypnotized subjects of Sevengals started the trouble. Consui, the Great was the second offender, and this trip it took a horse. Shultz is looking for a set of rubber drums and a shock absorber.

MONTGOMERY AND MOORE SUED.

"Barney" Myers, the agent, has instituted proceedings through his attorney, Milton Frank, in the Municipal Court, to recover \$240, which he alleges is due him as commission for six weeks of a 20-week contract that he secured for the team over the Morristime. The case was scheduled to be heard in 54th Street Court next week.

Myers states he obtained the contract in August, 1909. The act after piaying 16 weeks of the twenty left vaudeville and went on tour with a production. He maintains that they are at present filling out the four additional weeks of the Morris time that the original contract called for.

LEVEY'S CHICAGO OFFICE.

San Francisco, Jan. 26. Peurle Wilkinson left last week for Chicago to open a branch there for the Bert Levey Circuit.

PARIS NOTES

Paris, Jan. 17.

The January show at the Casino de Parls is excellent, and yet business is bad-although they are giving away tickets with one franc per seat to pay, which system entices a few more people to the hall. The program includes Billy Marsdon, Francis Marty, Great Roland, Mlle. Kandela, Hanvar and Lee, Weedon's Bears, Malaya, and some local acts.

There is also trouble at the Moulin Rouge, which after all is not astonishing in view of the business. In the ball room under the theatre the orchestra struck Jan. 10, not having received their pay, and the place has closed. The music hall remains open (with the system of cheap tickets already explained) and a new revue entitled "C'est tres excitant," by Joullot and Quinel is announced for Jan. 18. It is most exciting when we learn that a liquidator was appointed Jan. 10, to wind up the French Mouiin Rouge company, which was registered a little time back with a capital of \$86,850.

Of the old Parisian resorts, known to all foreign visitors, the Folies Bergere is the only one which is still going strong, and it has only one real rival, the Olympia, comparatively new in the field. The revue at the Folies remains without change, except in the withdrawal of Jane Marnac, called to other engagements, and the appearance of Louise Balthy for a month prior to her London show at the Palace, where she will play in a sketch. Margaret Haney is back and making good again in her former roles. Inez and Reba Kaufman, booked firm at this hall for four months, with an option of six, have earned themselves a lasting name in Paris and have offers to keep them here for a couple of years hence.

"Magic City," is to be ready for The latest move is the engagement of M. Gabriel Pares, who has just retired as band-master of the Republican Guard, the most popular military band in France (and perhaps one of the most famous in the world). Pares will have charge of the music in the park. His salary is said to be \$11,580 per year, with a two-year contract.

A new revue is due at La Cigale Jan. 21. Title: "Tu peux le dire," by Paul Ardot and A. Laroche. May it be better than the sketch Paul gave us at the Folies Bergere in September last. The show by F. Lemon at Eldorado is already off. In spite of Dranem, fresh with his Odeon laurels, it proved a lemon. A sketch "Mome Calathee" replaced it Jan. 13. Mme. Trouilias takes back the Pepiniere concert and will run it as directress. assisted by Cuichard and Lallenmand, who were with Max Illy here. The latter gets an indemnity as his share of the business.

LUESCHER LEAVING ORPHEUM.

The manifold duties of a busy and successful producing manager have stepped in to break off the connection between Mark A. Luescner and the 1 Tess Department of the Orpneum Mr. Luescher inaugurated Circuit. the department a couple of years ago and has developed it into a perfect

It is reported that Mr. Luescher will sever his term of service under Martin Beck, Feb. 1. No mention has been made as to his successor.

NEW ONE NEXT SEASON.

A new corporation will put a onering circus on tour next season which will be known as Rice's Circus. There will be at least nine cars in the organization. At present the show is routed to open April 1, working south from Geneva, Ohio, where the winter quarters are at present.

Joe Berris, who for years was with the Walter L. Main, Khoda Royal and other shows, and more lately with Martin Downs as equestrian director, is to be the general superintendent of the new outfit. He is at present at the winter quarters breaking in stock for next season.

CIRCUS IN HAWAII.

Messrs, Siegrist and Silbon have been presenting a one ringed circus on the several islands of the Hawalian group and have been getting a good share of patronage.

FIRST OPENING RECORDED.

Zanesville, O., Jan. 26.

The circus harbinger of spring is beating the robin out of his job. Arrangements have just been made by Fred Morgan, Ringling Brothers advance agent, for the assembling of the big show on April 22, giving the first show of the road season here April 26.

The Ringlings will put in a month at the Coliseum in Chicago before inaugurating their road season.

NEW TRIAL FOR CIRCUS MAN.

Howard S. Starrett, a Brooklyn circus man, arrested Sept. 13, last, on the charge of neglecting to properly provide for four of his horses, and who was sentenced to twenty days in iail and fined \$100, will have a new trial as the result of a decision handed down by County Judge Humphrey.

TAKES A FOURTH PARTNER.

A fourth stage partner has been selected by Billy Gould. Mr. Gould commenced with Valeska Suratt and left off with Hazel Cox last week, after playing at Young's Pier, Atlantic City.

Monday Hattie Lorraine, well known in musical comedy circles along Broadway some time back, returned to New York. She has been abroad several seasons. Mr. Gould annexed her for the vacancy Miss Cox caused, and the new formation starts in at Waterbury, Ct., Feb. 6, to "break in."

GOOD MUSIC YEAR.

1911 will be a good year for the music publishing business, according to Meyer Cohen.

"The music trades is gradually losing the small cheap publisher who has found he can not compete with the standard houses" said Mr. Cohen. "While the small publisher as an individual did not injure the trade, coilectively he has been a thorn in the side of the big publishers.

"With a brisk demand from all over the country for music of every class, this year it seems to me should be a banner one.

"The competition is too strong for the small fry. He must either drop or be squeezed out. The man with one hit, or what he tries to make the public believe is a hit, has no chance in The these days. He is through. standard houses are travelling too swiftly for him."

The phonograph companies with talking machines and the new copyright law have had no effect upon sales, said Mr. Cohen. Now the talking machines do not take a copyrighted song until it has been proven a hit.

Phonograph records are frequently issued at present with one side of the disc containing a copyrighted number, while the other side will have a noncopyrighted song. Formerly a song was duplicated on either side of the

WAGON SHOW IN FLORIDA.

Savannah, Jan. 26. Shelby's Circus is in Florida. Shelby's is a small wagon show.

MORE NEWS FOR COL. CODY.

Chicago, Jan. 26.

It is said the paper which is to advertise the presence of Coi. Wm. A. LaVelle with the Sells-Floto Show next summer will bear the following crosslining: "Col. Wm. A. LaVelle, 'Buffalo Biil's' Doubie, Wild West.

These announcements will go with the lithographs of LaVelle, who bears a striking resemblance to Col. Cody. It would not be surprising if the arrangement of lettering would make part of the bill read, at a glance, "Buffalo Bill's Double Wild West." Going in further for the "double" proposition Tammen will also carry and bill a man who is said to be Wm. A. Pinkerton's "double."

NEW POLICY "POP" SHOW.

Cleveland, O., Jan. 19.

The Alhambra, one of the Mark-Brock chain, which is located at Euclid avenue and 105th street this city, had an opening last week.

The house with its luauguration, offered a distinctively different policy than before attempted at "pop" prices.

No regular vaudeville acts will be shown, the entertainment offered will be of a concert nature, with special pictures. The latter will be "first run" educational, travel and literary subjects specially selected. In addition to a full orchestra there is an organ of the pipe variety which was built into the house and which alone cost \$5.000.

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Cincinnati Commercial Tribune

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Mile. Dozle is the star at B. F. Keith's Columbia this week. There executed the Columbia this week. There is a star at the columbia this week. There is a star at the columbia this week. There is a star at the columbia this week. There is a surprising attainments that she outshines them all. Mile. Dazle is a dancer, as every one knows, for she has been the feature of several of the big Zlegfeld "Foliles," and Cincinnations have enjoyed her art on many occusions and applicated her lustily, too, and not longer ago than last season, when she held the leading position of one of the biggest of the B. F. Keith Columbia bills.

Mile. Dazle, an American born and bred, created a sensation in Europe a few years ago, and coming to New York as the Donnino Rouge was the few years ago, and coming to New York as the promiter damathe engaged her as the premier damathe single the star of the promiter of the Donnino Rouge was the star of the promiter of the Donnino Rouge was the premier damathe single death. But the star of the promiter damathe single death and trailed without other rivals the terpischerean stage. Dazle is a great pantomimist as well as a dancer, and last season won world-wide honors in a romantic bit of dumb show, telling by dance and gesture alone the sympathetic story of an artist's love and tragic death.

At the Columbia yesterday Mile. At the Columbia yesterday Mile. Dazle won entius/asset approvad in a sumptinously staged pantomimic flexion, in which her ninble toes expressive and staged death.

At the Columbia yesterday Mile. Dazle won entius/asset approvad in a sumptinously staged pantomimic flexion, in which her ninble toes expressive could have been related in words where the proper of the related in words which has been related in words which has been related in words when the proper the charming little artist acts the romance of a dancer whose home is invaded by a viliain intent upon robbery. Amusing this thief of the night, at his command, by an impressioned example of her accompli ple of her accomplishments, sile infinity disarms him, the discharge of a revolver in the struggle cailing a gendarine who marches the rascal to prison. It is an idealized version of a Pariskin Apiche story, in the indist of which Duzie's dancing is an episode of such exquisite artistic beauty that the audience, last evening, fairly overwhelmed her with honors. There are five people in the cast, her chief assistant being a dancer, as well, of remarkable grace and excellence.

YOUR IDEAL VAUDEVILLE BILL PRIZES \$200 IN

\$100 for the best bill submitted; \$50 second prize; \$25 third prize \$15 fourth and \$10 fifth.

SELECT YOUR OWN JUDGE

Letters continue to pour in about the impracticability of an expensive program, though the high-priced list be considered an "Ideal Bili" by the author of it. The comment on the "practicable bill," which invariably takes the other stand, has had a marked effect on the voting for Judge, as gauged through the trend of the votes cast in previous weeks.

A shift by the layman vote seems to have been made from Percy G. Williams to William Morris, with Pat Casey taking a proportionate share. It has brought Mr. Casey into the lead with Mr. Morris a close second, making the vote for Judge very close. Mr. Morris had been hovering around third and fourth. The vote for Jenie Jacobs has taken a drop. Miss Jacobs and Mr. Casey (who are in one agency) have received the largest share

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VOTE FOR YOUR OWN JUDGE

The blank space may be filled in with the name of any manager or agent preferred.

Any variety manager or agent in the United ates and Canada eligible, including resident anagers of theatres. (Any agent, male or male, connected with an agency may be female, co voted for.)

(No vote for a professional or newspaper man will be counted.)

of their votes from the profession. Casey seems to have benefited in the decline for Miss Jacobs.

In a recent issue of VARIETY was printed the opinion of Mr. Williams on what he would consider an ideal vaudeville bill. His remarks appear to have frightened those who preferred him for Judge, as voiced in the general run by the following:

Watkins, Colo., Jan. 19.

Editor VARIETY:

In submitting my "Ideal Bill"

I wish to protest against the consideration of the item of cost by the judge, as being illogical and incompatible with the true spirit of this contest.

"Ideal," as per Webster, means "attaining an imaginary standard of perfection or excellence." Not the practical, every-day standard as we know it, but an imaginary, visionary standard as we might conceive it.

The "ideal" bill, one manager says, must be within reasonable cost. This is virtually an admission that a better bill could be produced for more money. Then wherein is the first bill "ideal?"

Cost is the manager's personal point of view. The audience is the Supreme Court and the judge of this contest must view it as an auditor, if justice is to be done.

Reverting to reasonable cost, reasonable for what? For Percy Williams' "Colonial," or Poli's, New Haven, or Gus Sun's, Piqua, O., or Adam Sowerguy's Stadium? The "Colonial," you might answer. But is that the apex of vaudeville for all time? Our ideal bill is visionary. Then we must conceive of ideal conditions, ideal houses and ideal managers, too, when \$10,000 will look like \$5,000 looks now, so as to make the ideal bill possible. E. A. Recres.

Mr. Reeves enclosed a bill containing Pedersen Bros., Howard and North, Musical Cuttys, Jas. J. Morton, Julian Eltinge. Intermission, Four Fords, R. A. Roberts, Vesta Tilley, Barnold's Dogs. His vote for Judge was for William Morris,

William H. Bauer of 1825 Orchard St., Chicago, says he believes contestants for the Ideal Bill prize should be permitted to mention the specific sketch an artist might place in the program to help the Ideal Bill, citing Flo Irwin's "Mrs. Peckham's Carouse" as a sketch for the ideal show, but which the mention of Miss Irwin's name at present would not indicate, as she is appearing in another piece. Mr. Bauer inquires if the cost could not be estimated to add interest.

In making up an Ideal Bill "Mrs. Peckham's Carouse" could be mentioned without Miss Irwin's name, she having been identified with that piece. The estimate of cost could not be allowed.

D. O. Lynch, of Wilkesbarre, Pa., says when some particular reason is offered why a bill costing \$19,000 is impracticable, he is ready to defend it.

Elmer Schulte, of Cincinnati, writes he believes he submitted the bill mentioned as costing \$19,000, and repeats the bill he believes was the one as follows: Pedersen Rros., Alice Lloyd, Julian Ellinge, Eva Tanguay, Annette Kellermann, Vesta Victoria, Mile. Po-

VOTE FOR JUDGE

(Votes Received up to Jan. 25, a. m.) PAT CASEY2473 WILLIAM MORRIS2338 PERCY G. WILLIAMS ...2264 JENIE JACOBS 962 MARTIN BECK 509 GEO. F. DRISCOLL 82 HARRY LEONHARDT.... 51 JULE DELMAR..... 87 WILLIAM HAMMERSTEIN, 32 CHARLES E. BRAY.....

laire, Harry Lauder, Gertrude Hoffman, Says Mr. Schulte "This selection does contain a list of high salaried artists, but as VARIETY does not mention anything against such a selection, I cannot see why Mr. Williams is not in favor of it."

Letters have again been received whether more than one bill may be submitted and if a vote may be cast without an Ideal Bill accompanying them. Both are answered in the affirmative. There is no minimum or maximum number to the bills or votes. As have been printed there are no conditions of any kind in connection with the competition.

Some Bills Submitted

1 Reed Bros.
2 Mack and Walker
3 White and Stewart
4 Howard and Howard 5 Julian Eltinge Intermission Kaufmann Troupe
Howard & North
Alice Lloyd
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Lyons and Yosco
Four Fords
Frank Tinney
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JOE SMITH,
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2 Van Hoven
3 Radle Furman
4 Ed F Reynard
5 Jock McKay
intermission
6 Bessie Wynn
6 Chip and Marbie
9 WILL Lawen & Co
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1310A Missouri Ave.
St. Louis, Mo.

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1 Seron Beifords
2 Nat Wills
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3 Rice and Cohen
4 Rice and Cohen
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5 Julius Steger
Intermission
6 Barnold's Dogs
7 Howard & North
8 Empire City Quartet
9 Pedersen Bros
W. M. LESLIE,
Lincoln Theatre,
Worcester, Mass.

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5 Travato
Intermission
6 Fox and Millership
Sisters
7 Captain Velvet
8 Stepp, Mehlinger &
King
9 Six Abdallah
Troupe
EVAN HOLBROOK,
614 E. Main St.,
Tampa, Florida.

Altus Bros.
Ryan and White
Bert Leslie & Co.
Howard & Howard
Porter White & Co.

New Fork.

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Ryan and White
Musical Cuttys
Nat Wills
The Shirkers'
Intermission
Four Mortons
W. C. Fields
Julian Elitinge
Jannette Kellerman
KATHRYN HAMEL,
24 E. 9th St.,
Cincinnati, O.

Barnoid's Dogs
Ben Weich
Nana
Arthur Prince
Olga, Eiga and Eli
Hudson
Intermission

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6 Kratons
7 Alice Lloyd
8 Bert Williams
9 Paviowa and Mord-Paviowa with Roanoke, Va.

1 Kaufmann Troupe 2 Fox and Millership Sisters Sisters

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Intermission
6 Rice and Prevost
7 Four Mortons
8 Harry Lauder
9 Annette Kellermann
W. P. AHEARN.
331 W. Hancock St.,
Detroit, Mich.

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Sisters 3
Ed F Reynard 4 Trovato Julius Steger & Co Intermission
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Bedini & Arthur
Alice Lloyd
Namba Troupe
BILL VETTER,
418 Main St.,
Augusta, Maine.
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Lillian Shaw
E F Hawley & Co.
Cliff Gordon
Chip and Marble
Intermission
Musical Cuttys
Nana

Nana
3 Harry Lauder
Chas Abearn
Troupe
NAT SAHR,
806 Grant Ave.,
Schenectady, N. Y.

Four McNailys
Four Huntings
Four Fords
Empire City Four
Four Rianos
Intermission Intermission
6 Four Mortons
7 Four Cohans
8 Bison City Four
9 Four Lukens
ROSE RICE,
313 W. 5th St.,
Dubuque, Ia.

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ter
2. Alice Lloyd
3. Mason, Keeler & Co
4. Ben Welch
Gertrude Hoffman
Intermission
6. Bayes & Norworth
6. Musical Cuttys
8. Harry Lauder
9. Hassan Ben All
Arabs
MORT SHARP,
New York City.

1. Robledilio
2. Musical Cuttys
3. Arthur Prince
4. Alice Lloyd
5. Gertrude Hoffmann Intermission Howard & North Bert Williams Howa.
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Eltinge
Bard Bros
HARRY RIEDERS,
1531 Fulton Ave.,
New York.

1. Four Bards
2. Laddle Cliff
3. Musicai Cuttys
4. Nat Wills
5. Chip & Marble
Intermission
6. Taylor, Kranz and
White
7. Bedini & Arthur
8. Alice Lloyd
9. Annette Kellermann
GEO, A. L. WIEHE,
7 Sudan St., Boston.

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4. Trovato
5. Pianophiends
Intermission
6. Lillian Shaw
7. Norworth & Bayes
8. Cliff Gordon
9. Annette Kellermann
D. D. COWAL R. J. COWAN, 327 W. Lex. St., Baltimore,

1. Leo Cerrillo
2. Howard & North
3. Ed. F. Reynard
4. Augusta Glose
5. Castings Dunbars
Intermission
6. Rinaido
7. Bedini & Arthur
8. Al Joison
9. Karno's "Music
Hail"
FRANK L. BROWNI

ANK L. BROWNE, 6 Hartweii St., Boston. FRA

1. Herbert Germaine Trlo
2. Wood Larson
3. Beil & Richards
4. Lou Anger
5. Kremka Bros.

Intermission

Al Joison

Lamont's Cockatoos

Bessie Wynn

Florence Troupe

TOM LEVIGNE,

136 N. Clark St.,

Chicago.

1. Beliciaire Bros.
2. Eva Tanquay
3. McIntyre & Heath
4. Laddie Cliff
5. Julius Steger
Intermission Intermissi
6. Four Bards
7. Belie Baker
8. Russian Dar
9. Bedini & Ar . Russian Dancers
. Bedini & Arthur
CHARLES DOBON,
2043 N. Clark St.,
Chicago.

1 W. C. Fields
2 Four Fords
3 Musical Cuttys
4 Alice Lloyd
5 Frank Keenan and
Co.
Intermission
6 Regoletto Bros.
7 Al Joison
8 Four Huntings
9 Annette Kellerman
FRANK BRADLEY,
424 Ames St.
Rochester, N. Y.

1 Casting Dunbars 2 Carbrey Bros. 3 Annette Keiler-

3 Annette Keilermann
4 Al Jolson
5 Rennee Family
Intermission
6 Cliff Gordon
7 Ishawaka Troupe
8 Leona Stephens
9 Five Brown Bros.
R. P. WHITFIELD,
Ft. Worth, Texas.

1. Gertrude Hoffmann
2. Josephine Davis
3. Rice & Cohen
4. Great Richards
5. Temple Quartet
Intermission
6. Jane Courthope
Co.
7. Ryan and White
8. Musical Cuttys
9. Cooper & Robinson
J. FALKE,
SS4 Main St., Buffalo.

1. Rianos
2. Elizabeth Murray
3. Lamont's Cockators
4. Harry B. Lester
5. Five Mowatts
Intermission
6. Lillian Shaw
7. Annette Kellermann
8. Al Jolson
9. Fiorence Troupe
M. WILLIAMS,
25 W. Ontarlo St.,
Chicago.

Chicago.

1. Charles Ahearn
Troupe
2. Meiville & Higgins
3. Julius Steger & Co.
4. Eva Tanguay
5. Musical Cutrys
Intermission
6. Ed. F. Reynard
7. Four Mortons
8. Harry Lauder
9. Odiva
B. S. MUCKENFUSS.
Majestic Bldg., Chicago

Musical Cuttys

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2. Cilif Gordon
3. Eddle Leonard
4. Belle Baker
5. The Hold Up
6. Ciliot & Wills
7. Wills
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7. Wordon & Moore
LAWTON ELLIS.
Poughkeepsle, N. Y.

1. Five Mowatts
2. Fox & Millerships
3. Geo. Beban & Co.
4. Cook & Lorenz
5. Rolfonians

5. Roifonians
Intermission
6. Gertrude Hoffmann
7. McIntyre & Heath
8. Bayes & Norworth
9. Novello's Animals
SAM TISHMAN,
1000 Fowier St.,
Chicago.

Russian Dancers
2 Pert Williams
3. Potts Bros. & Co.
4 Harry Laceterman
5. Angle Laceterman
6. Nat Wills
7. Alice Lloyd
8. J. K. Hackett & Co.
9. Four Mortons
DR. E. C. EVANS,
74 Tremont St.,
Boston.

Boston.

1. Overture, "Do Your Duty, Doctor"
2. Mrs. Dr. Munyon
3. Mrs. Dr. Cook
4. Mrs. Dr. Wayman
5. Mrs. Dr. Jckyl
6. Mrs. Dr. Parkhurst
7. Intermission,
"Cure All Rag"
8. Mrs. Dr. Perlin
9. Mrs. Doc Stiner
10. Lydia Pinkham
11. Red Circle Tround
T. ROY BARNES.
(Barnes & Crawford.)

1 Arthur Saxon Trio
2 Musical Johnstons
3 Raymond & Caverly
4 Chas. & Fannle
Usher
5 Vesta Victoria
Intermission.
6 Tempest & Sunshine
7 Edwards Davis &
Co.

Co.
8 Frank Fogarty
9 Herzog's Horses
ELLA O'CONNOR.
481 Siegneurs St.,
Montreal.

VARIETY .

THE WOMAN IN VARIETY

BY THE SKIRT V

My friend in Chicago writes me an interesting letter, telling about all the Chicagoans in a certain set having discovered that the man a young woman of the stage recently became enamored of doesn't possess the wealth she always gave him credit for. My friend says too that if the woman in the case gave her new found companion credit for anything, that would he the only credit he had in Chicago. It was always said, as I recall, even by the husband of the young woman, that when she did select some other than her lawful spouse, there would be a monetary incentive as a sort of alloy to increase the temperature of the freezing love the young woman is spoken of as possessing. The attachment, with a bankrupt for its asset, appears to wreak its own revenge for the husband, who, by the way, in his forced siege of bachelorhood, has become quite another man, from what I hear. With his now almost quondam wife, the husband was quite quixotic, but with the awakening arrived the evolution from the caterpillar to the present butterfly. The wife is with a show, as she has been for several years, different shows, but always of the frothy variety. The husband says that during their octet of years since the marriage certificate was dated, he carried but the image of his wife in his mind, when she was absent. Possibly to discover why stage people are so attractive to the laymen, he is now out on the scout, and from all accounts succeeding remarkably well. From what I hear the husband through a detective agency had compiete information about the financial standing his successor enjoyed, before Chicago knew of it. The husband thought there might be some balm in wringing a little change from the knight errant breaker up of his household, not so much for the money, as for the pleasure of witnessing the pain the parting of currency might give the other fellow.

Anna Chandier (Colonial) rather heavy, wears a handsome gown of green and gold brocade, veiled in green chiffon.

I am reminded of Atlantic City by the story of the broken lover. The husband of the young woman had a terrifying experience down there not so very long ago. Three of his friends burst into a room where he was, having first telephoned up to him that three detectives from New York had him "dead to rights." It was funny afterwards, but when the three friends unceremoniously smashed into the room, there was a little bundle of dress goods on the floor, in a dead faint.

It will be work to find a "sister act" better dressed than the Millership Sisters. The two first dress in white were gems and so sensible to have them different in model and coloring. The change to yellow and pink veivet soubret costumes places the act with

the dressiest. (Manhattan Opera House; Harry Fox and the Millership Sisters).

The Misses Moreland and Lord in the Nat Goodwin sketch (Colonial), wear handsome evening gowns. One is white satin, the other, a crystal robe over pale mauve.

Kitty Gordon, the tali titian halred beauty, has dressing down to a science. Against a black velvet background Miss Gordon was superb in a blue and gold gown. The skirt was merely a piece of the material wound tightly around the figure and ending in a train. Miss Gordon leaves the stage for a moment, returning in an enormous purple velvet hat, laden in black feathers and a black velvet cloak. The collar and cuffs are possum, but it was the panel in the back that made the garment "some" cloak. The panel consisted of four peacocks in brilliants; also on each sleeve was a bird. (Manhattan Opera House).

Speaking of Atlantic City, do you know Billy Baldwin? If you don't, there's no harm, but Billy knows every chorus girl who ever wore slippers on the Board Walk. When mentioning those with a large acquaintance among pretty choristers, place Billy Baldwin in the Hall of Feminine Fame, along with Jerry Slegel and Harry Allen.

The Eight Madcaps (Colonial) in black velvet with pink underdressing make a very fine appearance.

What I heard about "that marriage" was that the gentieman from Pittsburg could not induce his wife to release him from the matrimonial bonds. The woman in the case wanted the Smoky City man to wed, and urged him on. Restiessly, he sharply answered one evening that she might as well be patient, no one else would marry her anyhow. Then "She" flared up, and guaranteed to the gentleman with the coin that she would be married within twenty-four hours. Within the next twenty-four hours, everyone had heard of the marriage that "She" made, and wondered why it had happened. And in the selection of a husband, it must be confessed that "She" displayed a superior quality of intelligence. Also from what I have heard the stories about an immediate separation, with realousy and spite standing arrayed against each other. are quite true.

Miss Sunshine of Tempest and Sunshine (Coloniai) isn't very careful of her dressing. The three dresses worn were of no credit to her.

Gertrude Shiriey with Harry Tighe (Colonial) is a pretty miss, wearing a simple white dress and picture hat.

Seated in the orchestra of a vaudeville theatre the other evening i watched a gay and festive young man in high spirits making love to a pretty girl in the act. It was all on the stage, of course, but I could not help but mentally comparing the condition behind the footlights to the scene of a woman appearing before a police sergeant in a New England city, asking that her husband be obliged to contribute something weekly toward the support of herself and her two children. The husband was the young man on the stage, and to make the story a bit more realistic, the police sergeant who heard the plea was his father. That is what might be called a "Picture."

Miss Kent of Kelly and Kent (Colonial) has improved greatly in appearance. In a gold colored satin with black marabout trimming and wearing handsome diamonds, Miss Kent looked very pretty.

When the curtain goes up on Valeska Suratt's new act (Fifth Avenue) it discloses an apple orchard in full bloom. Twelve pretty girls are sitting on fences, and a see-saw, wearing pretty white satin Empire frocks over which are worn chiffon cloaks. Lace caps peep out from underneath huge leg horn hats. Miss Suratt appears in a daintily spangled gown over palest pink. A Japanese hat edged with silver fringe and a wide white scarf add to this creation. In a hoop skirt dress of dresden silk and a scoop bonnet Miss Suratt was charming. Changing to a Turkish harem costume consisting of gold bloomers, purpie coat heavily embroidered in gold and gold and purple turban Miss Suratt shows she has made a study of the harem. In a gown of purple sequins combined in cerise satin with a large purple velvet hat Miss Suratt looked regal. With this costume was worn the famous white ermine cloak. An ankle length dress of vivid coral over which was a fringed robe of crystal beads was gorgeous, but it was in the simple white satin wedding dress with real lace veil Miss Suratt was at her best. I don't blame her for becoming a bride, if only to wear that

Rene Dietrich (5th Avenue) appears firstly in a tan broadcloth dress, simply but beautifully made, a tan straw basket shaped hat trimmed in tan and brown feathers added to the gown. A change is made to a dainty white net dress trimmed in lace and pink ribbons.

Mae Eilwood (5th Avenue) always looks well in the plain grey frock she wears.

GETTING A START IN VAUDEVILLE

Jennyville, Wis., Jan. 22.

Dear Ed:

Well we decided to try the one night stand venture, so we got the paper from Milwaukee. McPhatter the juggier started out to bill the towns and told us we would find them billed as they had never been billed before. We didn't hear from him for three days, then we got word that he was in jail in a town called Thurley. I was elect-

ed to see what could be done about it so I went to the town and found McPhatter in the calaboose. He was practicing a juggling trick with a cup, a spoon and a tin plate when I came in and the minute he saw me he said "Well I've got them talking about us."

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It seems that after plastering bills and lithos in all sorts of impossible places and lettering the sidewalks with red and green paint, he tacked a three sheet of Lilly Clay on the front door of the court house. Then he set fire to a pile of trash on a side street and sent in a fire alarm. When quite a crowd gathered he stood on a barrel, made an announcement about the show and commenced to hand out dodgers. The fire chief got mad and McPhatter got arrested. When I called on the chief he laughed and after some delay we got McPhatter

Our weeks' business in Calabash didn't amount to much. We expected a packed house Saturday which would help us out on the week but it rained all day and night and we did'nt take in as much as we did the Monday opening. We packed up and moved over to Tolivhock, the first of the one night stands. We played to \$4.40 at the matinee and \$37.50 at night, terms 60-40. The next town was Rhinecrust and we played to \$12 gross on the day. We expected big business in Thurley on account of being so well advertised but when we got in, we found our paper all covered and a medicine show in the opera house. The manager said he heard our show was no good and rented the house to the Herbs of Joy Co. for a We all tried to join the medicine show but no one succeeded but Croso, and his Cunning Canines. This ieft us short one act and while we were wondering what to do, Pickitt said we could put on an after piece to take the place of the dog act. He could put on a great one if we had another woman with the show and he could get just the right party if we were willing to pay her fare from Blackjack. I knew he meant the girl with the pickle show but I didn't say anything.

McPhatter jumped back to the show in the afternoon and said there was a big advance sale in Jennyville, the next town and it would never do to miss it. They would just fight to get in that opera house and he knew it. We stayed over in Thurley until morning then started for Jennyville. We could only go part way by rail so made the balance of the trip by wagon. When we were half way there we came to a broken bridge and had to drive ten miles out of our way to another one. We arrived about seven in the evening and found the opera house locked up and dark and all our paper covered with announcements of Guppy and Fogg's Minstreis.

The manager said he heard our show had busted up so he sent home all the props and covered the paper. We had no advance sale anyhow. Mc-Phatter had marked off a lot of seats on the chart in the drug store, and the manager had marked off a lot more but no tickets had been sold.

i don't know how we are going to get out of this town

Newcom Pyker,

NEW ACTS NEXT WEEK

Initial Presentation, First Appearance or Reappearance In or Arouna **New York**

Beth Tate, Hammerstein's. LeRoy and Paul, Hammerstein's. Miller and Lyle, Hammerstein's. Gerald Griffin and Co., Fifth Ave. Frank Milton and De Long Sisters, Fifth Ave.

Harry First and Co. (New Act), Alhambra.

"Dusky Sambo Girls," Alhambra. Mabel Johnston, American. Baxter and La Conda, American. Violet MacMillan (New Act), Plaza. O'Brien Havel and Kyle Co. (New Act), Greenpoint.

Klein Bros. and Brennan, Greenpoint.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack McGreevy. "The Country Fiddler and The Village Maid" (Comedy and music). 13 Mins.; One.

Fifth Ave. Mr. and Mrs. Jack McGreevy are from the West. The couple came east and played one show sometime ago; then went right back again. Whatever the reason, it could have been no fault of the act for the McGreevys are going to put it over in New York, no matter what house they appear in. "The Country Fiddler and The Village Maid" means nothing aside from explaining the characters. The broken down old farmer as done by Mr. Mc-Greevy is a corking bit of comedy character work. He is just as old and broken down as the old fiddler which he plays. He is the village hanger on, been through the war, has only one eye and the swellest bunch of village gossip on tap. The beauty of the character is that it is real. Every village that boasts a post office and a general store has one of these fellows who, every time he starts to cross the road becomes an even bet that he'll drop dead before reaching the other side but still he lives on forever. Mrs. McGreevy does equally well with an "overgrown" village girl who gaps wide-eyed and opened mouth at the simplest things told her. She takes little part in the conversation, except to insert an expression now and then. Each time the laugh is sure to follow. The maid with a broken down brass instrument wants the old fiddler to come up to the house and play for a dance. They stop on the way to indulge in a bit of gossip. The talk is funny, but it is the manner of putting it over that gets the laughs. There are a few old wheezes in the conversation that should be dropped and in fact everything that tends to get away from the picture should be done away with. As a finish the pair get to work playing the instruments, quite as funny as all that has gone before. Mrs. McGreevy plays a zobo, accompanying the violin. She is a heavy woman, and when starting to dance, the audience waits in wonder. But she is there, and puts over a fast finish to an excellent comedy offering along entirely new lines. "No. 5" on the Fifth Ave. program Mr. and Mrs. McGreevy were easily both the applauce and laughing hit of the program. No less than ten bows were called for Monday night. The couple wisely left the house beg-Dash. ging.

Julius Lenzberg. And His Orchestra. Intermission.

Colonial. The orchestra of a vaudeville theatre must be deemed important by the management, else it would not be there, since the musicians are an expensive body collectively. To the wanderers about New York that statement would not altogether be considered a serious one. The wanderers might believe the orchestra was important, without accepting that the management shared in the belief. For of all of the orchestras in the world, from the houses of grand operas to the piano and drums of the picture theatres, some of the New York's best vaudeville houses contain the worst music of all. In some houses neither the director seems to understand how to direct, nor the musicians under him how to play. The blame falls mostly to the leader, for it seldom follows but that with a poor director, the music goes to pieces. A good leader no doubt, if free in his orchestral direction would replace an inferior player. Sometimes the leader is not always free to do as he pleases. In those cases, if you know extend your sympathy and withhold your criticism. But as to Mr. Julius Lenzberg and his Colonial (theatre) orchestra, always one of the best in New York, made more so within the past three years, Mr. Lenzberg has finally given his employer an "act" of the same value to the house that a band would be upon the stage. Mr. Lenzberg has made a "New Act" of himself. Not alone in this does he give great value for the union scale, but Julius has discovered the solution of the dreaded "intermission" for the regular vaudeville act, which is to follow. There is no "intermission" nowadays at the Colonial, merely a slight "wait." After the thirst slackers have about reached the rear, they are held there by Julius and the spot light. In the orchestra pit, for as long as there shall be one within a theatre, give Billee Taylor the credit for discovering the spot light, even before Jesse Lasky found there was "A Girl With a Baton" who loved the spot light better than she did her salary. Julius has improved upon the pioneers. The spotlight for him is but a means of identification. Julius leads and leads, and if he continues to lead as he is doing now, back to the woods with your Creatores and "The Crazy Leader" from abroad. Let them all out excepting Julius Lenzberg and Maurice Levi. The audience likes Mr. Lenzberg and his music. After playing arias from "The Spring Maid" Monday evening, Mr. Lenzberg obliged with an enforced encore, playing "The Polka Rag," and was applauded sufficiently to repeat it. Though spot light entirely overlooked the drummer during the "rag," Julius might give the audience one or more flashes of him. He certainly deserves it, for that young man is some drummer, and those musicians of the Colonial orchestra are some musicians. After that and beyond, Mr. Lenzberg besides some leader, is a showman, and making himself very popular at the Colonial. They say his only competitor is Jimmy Sayles at the Palladium,

London. Without decrying Jimmy,

Nat C. Goodwin and Co. (6). "Lend Me Five Shillings" (Comedy). 27 Mins.; Five (Parlor).

Colonial. "In returning to vaudeville (or 'variety' as it was when I knew it last). I wish to say on behalf of my company and myself that the flattering reception with which you have received us exceeded all our fondest expectations and also to tell you that this is the happiest night of my life." According to the records Nat Goodwin. the pre-eminent American comedian, must have had many happy nights, so the audience at the Colonial Monday evening evidently accepted that spoken acknowledgment as a very great compliment from a man of much experience. As a testimonial to Mr. Goodwin, his speech, play and company, they continued right on applauding, until Mr. Goodwin, after several more curtains, raised a glass of wine from the table and gracefully drank the health of those present. While the present entrance of Mr. Goodwin into vaudeville is not strictly speaking a debut, it is, as he said, for "vaudeville" and an event. Another such event as Genee last week at the same house. In presenting "Lend Me Five Shillings" Mr. Goodwin selected a piece to easily land him and carry him through a variety journey. It was satisfying to the patrons, gratifying to the management and as pleasing to Mr. Goodwin as he admitted. The house was crowded. It was a Goodwin assemblage, for the heartiest laugh during the sketch was when the dialog brought the question of "Are you married?" up to Mr. Goodwin. His supporting company is fully adequate. William Hawtrey in the principal support of Mr. Goodwin was not recognized apparently by the house as he entered, athough his name was programmed, and he had appeared in the same theatre as the star of his own sketch ("Compromised"), which was rather peculiar perhaps under the circumstances, as Tempest and Sunshine, a couple of girls who afterwards appeared for the first time at the Colonial and the second week in New York vaudeville, were received upon their entrance with considerable applause. That is as it may be---if you know. Margaret Moreland, the leading woman of Mr. Goodwin's little company, is a handsome blonde, attesting to her star's qualifications as a picker of beauty. Mr. Goodwin jokingly referred to the solitude newspapers had assured him of since arriving in New York. In the theatre. several who saw Nellie Revell, the Colonial's charming publicity promoter, flitting in the crowds, also jokingly said that Nellie was trying to secrete herself from Mr. Goodwin's optics, as the daily news report how dangerously close Mr. Goodwin is to losing his last wife. All the players were not certain of their lines, Mr. Hawtrey and Miss Moreland particularly, but Mr. Goodwin acted as prompter for the entire company. He closed the first half, gave a good show and justified the engagement. Mr. Goodwin is stout,

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let it be recorded that James will have to go some to put it over Julius.

Tempest and Sunshine. Songs.

16 Mins.; One. Colonial.

We are no more important than we make ourselves. That may be a proverb. Anyhow it is a maxim of the show business. In the show business, though, there must be something behind the making. Who but the scientists know if the bright lights in the heavens are the stars of yesternight. So in vaudeville the made attractions must be made doubly. And withal, however, Tempest and Sunshine compose a neat act of its kind. different from the usual "sister team," of nice manner in work, when the players lose self consciousness (seldom happening), but of poorer selection for repertoire of songs. The numbers run to the one strain in melody. Miss Tempest is the boy, like the act, a nice little boy, of a type the English halls seem to turn out in abundance, employing in this way most of their "ponies," who are fired by a fruitless ambition to emulate their great countrywoman, Vesta Tilley. When Miss Tilley is mentioned in conjunction with a male impersonator over here, the mere mention is obvious to the many, though no comparison follows. To some the ideal becomes the real. With thousands of miles of water separating the original and the follower, it all depends which way one is travelling as to who in the lead. Opening after the intermission at the Colonial (a good spot this week) the turn received applause to make them believe it warranted a speech. Miss Sunshine spoke, voicing her thanks and passing the thanks over to "my sister, Tempest" for verification. On the same program Nat C. Goodwin a few moments before, had received sufficient applause for twenty of the ordinary vaudeville "thank speeches," before he considered one was due.

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Brown and Blyler. Piano and Singing. 12 Mins.; One. Orpheum.

These two boys are offering a turn of the rathskeller order, but in a manner a little different from the duos, trios, etc. that have gone before. The turn at present while one that will fit the spot held down at this house (No. 2) will not send them very much further toward feature honors. boys make a neat appearance, a point in their favor, but need to have their repertory of numbers gone over and a bit of the piano work cut out. better start would have been obtained if both had gone at it right from the start instead of a "rag" prelude being given. The one piano bit in the center of the turn is quite sufficient. Also the fact that two "piano man" songs are used is also a bad feature. might be a good idea to vary the numbers a bit. The "Richman, Poorman" and "Whistling" songs are catchy, although Brown does not seem to get all the possibilities out of the Confining the gestures somewhat might also help as at present there is too much repetition. Fred.

Emma Dunn and Company (3).
"The Baby"; (Dramatic).
16 Mins.; Four (Special).
Ornheum.

Orpheum. "The Baby" will go down into vaudevilie history as one of the most charming little playlets of that most hackneyed of subjects, the mother-While the sketch will never reach the heights of headlining Broadway bills, it will surely answer that purpose in the smaller cities where they have not all quite forgotten mother and the old fireside. It is a delightful theme, we!i told in a manner that leads the audience through the gamut of emotions from laughter to tears, and finally at the close gives those in front the much needed little comedy touch that takes away aii the The scene is iald in the receiving room of a Municipai Foundiing The detail in which the Asylum. set has been laid out is truly wonderful as regards the many little mlnor touches that go toward achieving a great whole. At the opening the stage is in semi-darkness until Miss Bradley (Ruth Allen) the head nurse enters from what would seem to be one of the wards and raises a window Then follows a full minute shade. of absolute silence, occupied totally by business. The atmosphere is in its entirety that of the hospital, and the action so matter of fact that the audience did not have a moment in which to become restless. The phone rings. Miss Bradley answers, and in reply to an inquiry sets forth the rules A few seconds of the institution. iater Dr. James O'Reilly (John Stokes, also the author) enters. He is the house physician. The doctor is a young chap who has but lately been blessed with his first offspring, a boy. He prattles of having been hunting a cottage at the seashore for the summer so that his youngster might have iots of fresh air and sand heaps to toddle about in. In a joshing manner he tells the head-nurse that wedded bliss is the only state and that a man's ambition is reached when he can go home and have one of his own little ones mussing hls hair and advises her to take the first chance that arrives and join the mighty army of the wedded. The nurse declines stating that It would be just her luck to have twins. Lena Vogle (Emma Dunn) makes her appearance with a babe in her arms. Her's is a German character role, that of a wife who believes herself deserted. For a week past she has been a daily visitor at the asylum with her babe, but could never summon sufficient courage to depart and leave the little one behind her. At last without money or employment she signs the required form and rushes from the institution. The child is placed in a ward labeled with a number. A few moments later Lena returns with her husband (Chas. Hepler). He has been away trying for employment, fell ill and was in a hospital, on his discharge secures a position and has saved sufficient to return and seek his wife, who has not answered his letters. With the husband and money on hand and a new field before them to conquer the mother wants her child, the return of which is forbidden by law. After her pleading, the doctor, thinking of his

Lawrence Johnston. Ventriloquist. 14 Mins.; One.

Greenpoint.

Lawrence Johnston Is a western importation. He has been playing eastern time most of the season but this is his first New York showing. Johnston has followed the modern ventrlioquist in the one "dummy" idea, but in several other things has dug up new stunts and has also brought along material of the old school. Working for the first ten minutes with the single "dummy," Johnston does the usual smoking and drinking while taiking, throwing in eating for good measure. Aii are done very weii. In one instance he shows a short bit with the "dummy" that no other ventriloquist aside from Arthur Prince has exhibited, that is the quick talk where the dummy and manipulator seem to speak at the same time. does but little of this and it would be wise to build up along those lines A peculiar shaking of the "dummy's" head to emphasize what he is saying is also effective. Leaving the "dummy," the ventriloquist gives an interesting five minutes of voice throwing. Besides the "down stairs" thing and the man gradually approaching, he gives an idea of how the announcement made by a man in the center of Madison Square Garden sounded to him sitting in the top balcony. This won the ventriloquist a hearty round On "No. 2" at the of applause. Greenpoint Johnston did very well. He dresses and looks well and Is superior to the general run as a voice thrower. He makes his specialty interesting and entertaining.

Gretchen Hartman. Character Songstress. 10 Mins.; One.

This little lady will bear watching and with the proper handling will be one of the "singles" that will make a mark for herself on the "blg time" one of these days. At present she is putting over four numbers in a s'ambang style, making four complete changes and doing it all in ten minutes, which is "going some." She opens with "Stop-Stop," a coon numher, followed by "That Sweet Italian Waltz," which carrles an Italian characterization with it, landing both in good shape. For her third bit she offers an imitation of Anna Heid in her "Teddy Bear" song. Miss Hartman has copied the voice intonation and gestures almost perfectly and without announcing the number as an imitation the audience caught the idea almost immediately. Her iast number is "Schiitz" in a Dutch costume and sabots, and it managed to gain several bows for her. At present she should manage to get all of the small time routing that she wants.

own ilttle one and in face of the possible loss of his position for stretching a point, after a struggle, relents and permits the mother to take her babe. The cast is capable, all four characters receiving delightful rendition at the hands of this quartet of artists, for they are nothing less.

Fred.

Russell and Smith's Minstrels. 27 Mins.; Three (Special Drop). Fifth Ave.

Russeil and Smith, with three others, are showing a reai old fashloned first part. There are many who will aiways love the burnt cork entertainment. They will have nothing to compialn of In the offering of Russell and Smith. Fred Russell is on one of the ends, with Harry W. Smith In the middie. Joe McGee is the other "end." The owners have been fortunate in securing Mr. McGee. He is doing excelient work and goes a long way towards putting the entertainment over. The two singers carried do not figure prominently, aithough the ballads were well liked and received surprising applause. Fred. Russell's parodies also got over strongly, although not new. It is odd what a minstrel troupe can get away with. If a monologist tried to put over some of the parodies and jokes that a minstrel show does, the audience would want to mob hlm. It just seems as though the audience take it for granted that a minstrel show being an old institution, it is no more than right that the old stories and jokes should be allowed to five there. Mr. McGee very well sang one verse of "Pessinn Pie." finishing it off with some clever stepping. McGee should be allowed to go further alone. The minstreis as it now stands is running too long. The finish in "one" showing moving pictures, is not necessary. Some time could be saved by cutting there. Twenty minutes would be pienty. There are always enough iovers of minstrelsy in a vaudeville audience to get the act over.

Charles Olcott.
Pianolog.
15 Mins.; One.
Fifth Ave.

Charles Oicott in his pianolog brings to vaudeville an idea not entirely new, although very well done. The idea is the travesty comic opera. with the planist the whole show. Oicott carries the scheme further than usuai, going through the entire piece. making it the greater portion of his specialty. A little bright talk is recled off between times and some hearty laughs come from this source. For an encore Oicott gave his Idea of how several different nationalities would play an oid familiar bailad. This is also better than it sounds and a quantity of humor resulted. The planologist is fortunate lu possessing pieasing personality, which, with an easy style of working, sends his material over in good shape. "No 2." at the Fifth Ave. program Olcott dil well.

Weadick and LaDue, Wild West, 13 Mins.; Four,

A man, woman and a pony make up this turn, fashioned somewhat after the style of the offering which Will Rogers made some years ago in the bigger houses. The couple do some rather clever work with the "ropes," which should manage to pass them by on the "small time." That is just what the act is suited for at present. The man might might help resent. The man might might help a little more if he would raise his voice, and inject some comedy.

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Harry Tighe and His Collegians (7). "The Carciess Sophomore" (Comedy). 23 Mins.; Four (Special Set). Colonial.

In a piece quite remindfui of his former college sketch, "Books," Harry Tighe returns to vaudevlile with a Raiph D. Paine troupe this week. (who holds the youth of America in the palm of his hand through such stirring stories as "The Stroke Oar," "The Head Coach" and others) has given Mr. Tighe a coilege piece which has the atmosphere. If the worst ever comes to Mr. Paine in the form of the klds getting wise to his throbbing heart interest, such as when the stroke oar of the old blue went to pleces after his crew had won, the coileges of America might pension hlm, for he has fired the American youngster full of the idea that the great educational goal is to be found through the fleid and stream. And Mr. Palne should continue writing vaudevlile sketches about college 11fe. ile has an airy subject that aiways appeals, and knows whereof he writes, knowing being the secret of nearly all successes. Further than that and to mention the absence of singing and music in Mr. Tighe's new act, there is no cause for words, more than merely to relate that in writing a little comedy for Mr. Tighe to start in, Mr. Paine made a star of Hugh Cameron, who plays Steve Hickey, the janltor Mr. Cameron is a mixture of Junie McCree and Jlm Dolan, but always Hugh Cameron, the one big hit of "The Careless Sophomore" and the one to "walk away with it."

Neii O'Brien. Talk. 16 Min.; One. Manhattan O. H.

It remained for Neii O'Brien to walk away with the laughing hit of the bill at the 34th Street house this week. O'Brlen in his present offering "One c: the Brave Boys," is assisted by Wm. H. Haliet, who is dolng a good blackfaced 'straight" to O'Brien's The former is a fire chief. coniedy. He is permitting the big "smoke" to come into the department as a captain for a consideration. Much of the comedy is gotten from instructions given to the prospective candi-For the finish a description of date. a horse-race by O'Brien sent over the act with a rush. Mr. O'Brien wisely ieft while the house was still clamoring for more. Fred.

Musical Mays (4). Singing and Instrumental, 11 Mins.; Eight (4), Five (1), One

This quartet, consisting of three men and a woman, are presenting a varied routine on banjos and guitars, with some singing included. The act is one of the quieter sort until about one minute before the finish when the "Yiddisher Cowboy" number is given. What is needed most at present is a little added life to the first twelve minutes of the turn before it can get very much further than the "small time," with this done it should prove some of a novelty. The dressing at all times is good.

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edy. *Fred*.

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Bismarck, N. Dak., Jan. 5. Editor VARIETY:

I beg to submit to you a unique case. While on the Stoll Tour with "Menetekel" (Spring 1906) I launched Irma Lorraine in England. Among various novelties of my own invention, which I offered to Miss Lorraine was "The Writing Dog." The lady was shortly after booked up for several years in England and for a season in this country with her "Posing Acts." I held long contracts for "Menetekel" in America and Europe, which prevented me from producing "The Writing Dog" myself. I offered the act to various parties in Europe and America. I mention Mr. J. W. Gorman, manager of the Gorman Circuit, Colonial Building, Boston, Mass., who approached me to supply original, sensational tricks for his trained pony, "Don." I furnished to Mr. Gorman two tricks, one of which was "The Writing Pony." Although worked on the same principle, some changes were necessary, as the pony appeared in arenas. This happened in July, Mr. Gorman, no doubt, can 1909. show my letters and drawings. It was impossible for me to stay in Boston. as Mr. Gorman desired, as I held contracts for the Pantages Circuit. On this tour I met Mr. Buckley (October, 1909), to whom I offered "The Writing Dog." All deals falling through, I intended to produce "The Writing Dog" myself, as soon as "Menetekel" would be ready for the shelf.

VARIETY of Dec. 31, 1910, duly came to hand. Imagine my surprise in reading that "Marvelous Dick" is using the apparatus similar to "Menetekel" in its experimental stage. Walt speaks of "French ingenuity." I forebear to add comment. I do not know the "Ingenious Frenchman."

I have made up my mind to establish a precedent. I am going to produce or cause to be produced by other parties what I am ready to swear to is the "child of my brain," my absolute property, "The Writing Dog." Now I want to know the opinion of your readers in regard to my action: ''Am I a copyist?" I will cause the act to be produced inside of a short time. I rest my faith in the conviction that ere long my case will be proved. I have not corresponded with Miss Lorraine for more than two years. She has since married Joe O'Gorman, a London agent. Messrs. Gorman and Buckley I have not seen since the dates mentioned above. I have been very cautious in protecting my interests in "The Writing Dog." There are witnesses to the fact that for the past five years I looked upon "The Writing Dog" as a legitimate eventual source of income to me. You might consider the witnesses prejudiced, as many are related to me. I suppose, however, that you consider one, Max Berol-Konorah, President of the International Artists Lodge, Berlin, worthy of belief in this matter, although he is my brother. Other parties may come forward to prove my case. Many are in Europe

Now, what do you say, Mr. Editor? A novelty is a novelty, whether produced in 1906 or many years later. That is why I would not give up "Menetekel" for "The Writing Dog" until the time proved ripe in my estimation. I cannot afford to wait longer to reap the reward of my invention. The time for action has been forced upon me.

Now go ahead and let VARIETY, its Editor and readers settle the argument. Meanwhile, as stated before, I will go ahead sure of ultimate stainless vindication.

William Berol ("Menetekel.")

(Without going into the merits, and having an acquaintance with Mr. Berol (from which we have always assumed that his word may be relied upon) we would present a question, which, when answered, may give the readers of VARIETY more information on the point they are asked to decide. "Dick" was first shown in Paris, at the Olympia. The dog caused considerable comment. It must have attracted the attention of European variety, since the reputation of the turn preceded it to America. Several managers considered the act for this country. It was finally engaged for the Orpheum Circuit, and opened in Chicago recently, but not until after several months later than the Olympia engagement. We understand that Mr. Berol might set up he did not know how the act was worked until reading VARIETY'S review of it, but Max Berol-Konorah, who is well versed in all these mystic matters, and a brother of Mr. Berol (with knowledge of the original design for the novelty) should naturally have learned how the act was being worked, and as naturally might have informed his brother. We received private information during the exhibition at the Olympia as to how the act was supposed to be worked upon the stage. Had Mr. Konorah or some one else abroad informed Mr. Berol that Miss Lorraine had adopted his idea, he could have, for his protection, announced the fact and presented his act in this country before "Dick" arrived, and before the act had been pronounced a success in Chicago. Also Mr. Berol is presuming from the review in this paper that "Dick" is worked in the manner he invented, or similar to "Menetekel." We have no acquaintance with Miss Lorraine or Messrs. O'Gorman and Buckley. Neither is this written to prejudice the opinion that Mr. Berol asks for. But we think Mr. Berol should make answer to this before an expression upon his announced position is passed .- Ed.)

Utica, N. Y., Jan. 23. Editor VARIETY:

A letter in the last issue of VARIETY. signed "A Sketcher," and dated from Cleveland, Jan. 17, makes certain references to Keith's Hippodrome. I was playing there week of Jan. 16 with my sketch, and as I have a right to use the psendonym "A Sketcher," I wish to state that I was in no way responsible for the letter.

(Miss) Sydney Shields.

2. Pavilion Ave., Providence, R. I. Jan. 22.

Editor VARIETY:

I wish to protest against the habit of burlesque managers of cutting down their show and advertising performers they have not on their roster or whom are not playing when they arrive here.

This was brought to my mind rather forcibly when a company supposed to be one of the hits of the season arrived in Providence with but two of the well-known principals it advertised, six in all.

Another show made special mention of the "great aeroplane flight" by the leading lady. All that was seen of the aeroplane was when they loaded the scenery trucks for the next town.

For the week of Jan. 16, two companies were advertised for the same theatre, one being in Boston for that week.

For the coming week, they have advertised one of the cleverest, if not the cleverest comedian in burlesque. who is, and will be for two weeks at least, on the sick list.

I realize that Providence does not support its hurlesque house as well as New York and Boston do, but those who attend pay just as much and John A. Shaw. more per seat.

Brooklyn, N. Y., Jan. 18. Editor VARIETY:

Will you kindly thank the foliowing people for me for their kindness during my recent misfortune in Schenectady, N. Y.: Grace Childers, Joe Simons and every member of the 'Queen of Bohemia' company: Mile. Novita and Gleen Ellis of "The Soul Kiss" company; Mr. Harry Moore of the Taylor Stock Company; Everett A. Fuller of Schenectady, and Mr. Meehan, proprietor of the Mohawk Baths. Ella H. Carter.

Canton, O., Jan. 11.

Editor VARIETY:

I played Dec. 12-14 at Lockport, N. Y., and split the week with Dunkirk, N. Y. I called Geo. H. Verbeck on the wire and ask if he had a Sunday in Buffalo. He told me to come in and he would play me at the Variety, Buffalo. I then asked Verbeck if he could fill next week, Dec. 20. He said, "Why, yes, I've a week open in Toronto." I accepted the week from him

Now here comes the dirty work. I went to Canada Monday, got there at 12 p. m. Found the theatre after a whole lot of trouble. When I saw the manager I said, "How many acts do you play?" He said "One." asked him what I should do. He told me to go to the Garden theatre and I would see Verbeck's branch agency. I went there and saw his man. Rouck, and he told me he couldn't understand why Mr. Verbeck did anything like that, make a man pay a fare to come in and lay off.

While we were talking the mail was brought in. When it was opened, why there was the contract for me and also for the other act. On the back of the contract for the other act these words were written: "Mr. Rouck, play this act instead of Geo. Adams, as he has been on the time before and I know him. Now, understand so that there is no mistake afterward.''

Verbeck gave out the other contract just a little while after he had given me mine. He could have wired me or telephoned and told me that the week was off. Gco. Adams.

Sydney, Dec. 14.

Editor VARIETY:

Just a line to keep you advised as to affairs on this side of the world. The people here are as hungry for good attractions as our own New Yorkers and strange to say the star attractions at Mr. Rickard's theatres in Melbourne, Adelaide and Sydney, are. at present, all Americans, viz.: Julian Rose, Barnes and West, and my humble self.

Rose opened in Melbourne to spleudid success, and I opened here last month to a regular Hammerstein audience.

The Brennan circuit is also featuring two fine American acts, Gray and Graham, and Daly and O'Brien.

The Yankee boxers, Clabby, Bronson. Panke and Thompson have swept through the local boys here like Albee would through a bunch of "Morris acts." The local boys are game, but they cannot hit a Yankee boxer with a handful of corn. The two-shilling bone-heads, who attend the bouts, are not over-kind to our boys, but the rea! sports of the country are, if anything. a little better than our own.

Sir Thomas Dewar, the famous Scotch distiller of England, wrote to his local officials here to entertain me in a manner befitting the Sultan of Smiles. On my arrival I was taken in charge by Geo. Wright, his Sydney manager and Genial Bill Corbett. sporting editor of the Sydney Referee; aiso your own handsome and capable representative, Martin Brennan, Between them and Sir Rupert Clarke, of Melbourne, I have acquired a taste for yachts and autos that will cause B. F. Keith and Percy Williams many a bad night on my return.

I have been looking over many turns here. Have seen only three which I think would go in America. Two are really good character comedy singers. Fred Bluett and Tom Dawson and Mr. and Mrs. Meymott, a first-class sketch team.

I have gathered a fine collection of stereopticon views in Hawaii, Figi, and Will add further to them in here. South Africa, so beware of another lecture.

By the time this reaches you I shall be ploughing my way toward the land made famous by Boer, Kaffir and Roosevelt.

So I will close with kindest regards to Adam Sowerguy, Billy Gould and others, and with apologies to Geo. Cohan, request that you give a thought so tiny to the Judge out on the briney

Walter O. Kelly.

Hilderbrandt and De Long. Acrobatic. 7 Mins.; Full Stage. Hammerstein's.

Hiiderbrandt and De Long come under the heading of "strong acts." The male of the team does the work, while the woman is used as a weight in several of the strength tests, all teeth Severai have been seen beholds. fore, aithough in many cases faked. In this instance there is no sign of faking. The man holds a chair in his teeth, upon which the woman sits. There is no resting of the legs of the chair on the chest or anything of that sort. It is good clean The act lacks variety. Each work. trick is more or less a repetition. The couple look well, the man working in evening clothes. The woman wears an ankle length dress, changing later to She is a heavy woman, which makes the tricks look better and her appearance heips the act generally. As an early act on the larger bilis, the turn should do a.. right.

Geo. Paul and Co. (2). "Labor and the Man" (Dramatic). 18 Mins.; Full Stage (Interior). Casino, Chicago.

Someday somebody is going to write a "labor" sketch without a strike in the mines or at the factory. "Labor and the Man" is no departure in theme from the average run. It is not recalled that any of this sort of sketch writing has dug a deep trail through the "big time." The sketch which held up Mr. Paul as a "spiit-week" star runs along the stereotyped groove of the obdurate mill-owner who defies the strikers. Paul is a smooth and likeable sort of an actor until he hits the "ranting" and then he goes off at a noisy tangent, leaving behind whatever he has been taught or has learned about acting. The latter moments of the sketch are intended to enthuse the union labor element to riotous frenzy, but there was not an audience of sufficient size at the Casino when the act was seen to create more than a good sized hub-bub. Paul is a good actor and deserves a better sketch than "Labor and the Man." Walt.

Hennessý and Son. Songs and Dances. 14 Mins.; One. Manhattan O. H.

On in the opening position at the Manhattan Opera House this week, Hennessy and Son had but little opportunity to display the real value of their wares. The act however seemed to be well liked by those that were in early and there was several bows accorded father and son at the finish. At present the younger seems to be carrying the major portion of the work, he doing two numbers while dad is making a change. After a brief opening the dad has the first solo putting over an Irish number very This is followed by the boy singing an Italian song. After a change he returns for a bit on the style of George M. Cohan. For the close the two change to evening clothes and put over a rattiing good duet song and dance. The act is worthy of a position a bit further down on any bill. Fred.

Sylvester and Redmond. Piano and Songs. 15 Mins.; One. Colonial.

The program says of Harry Sylvester and William Redmond, "Remains of 'That Quartet'." While the intent may be O. K'd., the phrase doesn't fit. Ail of "That Quartet" are at the present time very lively and living well. Svivester and Redmond with their solo and duet singing did fairly to keep green the memory of that memorable singing four. They have the appearance, know how and what to sing, can sing, and each appreciates the value of a laugh judiciously inserted. Mr. Redmond becomes his own accompanist, as well as for Mr. Sylvester. With "Ida" and an Eddie Leonard (composer of the song) roll, Mr. Sylvester shone as a "single," while Mr. Redmond in "Silver Threads" knew the old song that his sweet tenor could just fit. He foilowed with a little Irish number that suited, while "Say Nothing at Ail" was a duet number that went over strongly. A medley to open and a good finish left Sylvester and Redmond as a "two-act" (with a piano) in a class by themselves, as singers, without any "rathskeller" work.

Brooks and Kingman. Acrobatic. 10 Mins.; Full Stage. Greenpoint.

Brooks and Kingman are attempting a comedy acrobatic offering along iines not unfamiliar. The comedian uses a Jimmy Rice make-up without the white face and without going after the laughs through Rice's methods. The comedy is not strong at present and what laughs are secured come through several peculiar "kip-ups" that are both new and good. This is where the act should be extended. The rest of the routine is of the usual ground tumbling and hand-to-hand balancing sort that gets the pair very The "straight" is not a good iittie. ground tumbler. His stronghoid lies in hand-stands and more of the contortional acrobatics, to which work he should stick entirely. It will need quite some working before the turn can expect to hold forth properly for the bigger time. Dash.

Bigney. Tank Tricks. 12 Mins.: Four.

Bigney is presenting on the "smali time" a tank act that the public were wont to see in the dime museums of the oiden days under the billing of "The Human Mermaid" or "Merman" as the case might be. On the smailer time there may be a place for a turn of this sort, but there are many things that Bigney might do to enhance the value of his present offering. The first and not least is to obtain a new announcer or have the young lady who is holding that position at present work faster, talk louder and inject a little comedy. The tank that is used at present seems rather small, about 2½x6 ft. and Bigney seems rather crowded in it at times. His present repertoire of tricks, while showing nothing sensational manage to gain a iittie appiause. Fred

OUT OF TOWN

Gil Brown and Lil Mills. Songs, Talk and Dancing. National, San Francisco, Cal.

In his latest offering Gii Brown is making a most creditable departure from the beaten path of singing, talking and dancing acts, from the showing at this house where the audiences are educated more to the slapstick and clowning, the act should travei in any company anywhere and grab a big share of the spoils. The routine is run into a consistent story. A conversational song, appropriate for the theme serves for the opening number with original cross fire taik, after. For 'impromptu stuff'' Brown is a wonder. The talk sounds new and bright, but the "window and starvation" are not needed and don't belong. Miss Mills has a corking voice for the present requirements and is a clever haif in the dancing department. As an improvement "Mandy" should be retired to the pension list at the earliest possible moment. "Sugar Moon," aithough worked overtime hereabouts served as a capital getaway with a side-dish of dancing, bringing them back for several encores. Brown and Mills should experience no difficulty traveling the big time. Fountain.

Mile. Hengler's Dogs. 16 Mins.; Full Stage. Chutes, San Francisco.

While offering little of anything not seen before, Mlle. Hengier has an offering that will compare favorably with the best in these parts. About Fox fourteen dogs are in the act. terriers, hounds and six black Russian poodles, beauties and intelligent workers. Effective comedy is run in the routine, which is worked speedily. The trappings and apparatus of the act are neat and clean, and the dogs work with evident enjoyment. Α couple of hounds bring the act to a big applause finish. As a slight improvement Mile. Hengler should dispense with a few furbelews and dress less subrettish. The act should do full justice in any biil. Fountain.

Farrell-Taylor-Clark. "That Minstrel Man." 20 Mins.; Full Stage. Young's Pier, Atlantic City.

This act was formerly known as the Farrel-Taylor Trio. Biliy Clark, the song writer, formerly of Armstrong and Clark, joined two weeks ago. He very cieverly plays the black-face female. The vehicle is the same as that used by the trio but there have been several new laughs put in. As usuai the act scored a hit.

J. B. Pulaski.

ONE MOZART WITH VOOD.

Lancaster, Pa., Jan. 26.

Monday the Mozart house reopens with vaudeville. Seven acts in two shows daily with prices at 10-25-35 will be the policy.

Edward Mozart will book the acts promiscuously. His other theatre is at Elmira, N., Y., where stock is being played.

The Ford Sisters have decided to remain together.

BILLS NEXT WEEK NEW YORK.

COLONIAL:
Valeska Suratt and
Co.
Emma Dunn and Co.
Fay, 2 Coleys and
Fay
Kitamura Japs
Brown and Blyer
(Others to fill)

ORPHEUM: RPHEUM:
Adeline Genee
"The Photo Shop"
Williams & Schwartz
Brown, Harris and
Brown
Bounding Gordons
Gruber's Animals
Kessler and Lee
(Others to fill)

ALHAMBRA: Eva Tanguay Gordon Eldrid and Co.
Martinette & Sylvester
Tempest and Sunshine
Schichti's Manikins
Harry First & Co.
"Dusky Sambo
Giris" o. rtinette & Sylves-Conroy & Le Maire -

BRONX: Frunk Keenan & Co. Klare and Ward Barry and Wolford Ellis-Nowlin Troupe Bernardi L. T. Johnston Hyman Meyer IIII and Ackerman

GREENPOINT:
"Circumstantial Evidence"
O'lirien Havel and
Kyle Co. Ayle Co. Anna Chandler George H. Reno and Co. Klein Bros. & Brennan
Zeno, Jordan & Zeno
Lightning Hopper
(Others to fill)

HAMMERSTEIN'S
Nat C. oGodwin and
Co.
Hedges Bros and
Jacobsen

Lester
3 Leightons
Miller and Lyle
Beth Tate
Leon Rogee
Mabelle Fonda
Troupe

FIFTH AVE.
Andrew Mack
Gerald Griffin and
Co.
Eddle Leonard and
Mabel Russell Mabel Russell Goldsmith & Hoppe Frank Milton and De Long Sisters Yvette
Alpine Troupe Models of Jardin de Paris"

Cedora

AMERICAN.
"Ma Goose"
Adele Ritchie
Trovato
Mahel Johnston Griff
and Courtielgh
and Co
Rivoli
Baxier & La Conda
Emnia Don
Great Tailman
Carpett Bros
Albini
Morris and Kramer
Carpos Bros
Dori Martini
(Others to fill)

Others to fill)
PLAZA.
Ross and Fenton
Dalsy Harcourt
Gennaro's Band
Cliff Gordon
"Maldens From
Sals"
Pullman Porter
Maldens From
Maldens From
Sals"
Roberty's Dancers
Violet MacMillan
Aldredge
Bort Lesdie Players
Eddie Foley
Pritz' Dogs
Adams Bros
(Others to fill)

CHICAGO.

AMERICAN.
Vesta Victoria
Kario Commerville
Ravio Commerville
Hawaiian Trio
Jack McClelian
Matthews and Rees
Gleger and Walters
Rafayete's Dogs
Connolly Sisters
Van Camp
Loretto Trio
Dora Wright
(Others to fill)

MAJESTIC:
Percy Haswell & Co.
La Tortajada
Howard & Howard
Gaston & Coverdale
Willard Simms and
Co.

Co.
Tom Waters
Lawson and Namon
Waterbury Bros. and
Tenny
Lane & O'Donnell

Violini. Violinist 10 Mins.: One. Casino, Brooklyn,

Violini is the latest of the "ragtime" violinists to strike New York. He, like many of the others, is a product of the west. Following Rinaldo in style and dress, Violini never reaches the class displayed by the former. Violini is a young chap of foreign appearance, wearing his hair like Jake Wolff's celebrated leader. He is a good violinist of straight variety. but without the idea of "rag." Violini lacks showmanship, and even an easy stage presence, most essential factors in a specialty of this sort. Opening with a straight selection, he got nothing. A "rag" followed, and also withered away. Coming back without receiving a hand, he played a med!ey of Harry Von Tilzer's "raggy" songs, and this brought a real encore. It was the melody. The burlesque patrons were just in the mood for some lively airs. As a "rag" violinist, Violini ranks way down the list. In vaudeville he can hope for nothing beyond the "small time," In burlesque with good lively numbers he might become mildly attractive.

WORLD OF PLEASURE.

"World of Pieasure" is the new Gordon and North show which that pair of producing comedians placed in the Western Wheel along with the other two shows' which they played over the Eastern Circuit iast season. The program states that Don Roth wrote the show which is "Playing the Ponies" played by Yorke and Adams when they made their New York debut a couple of seasons back at the Circle. The show has not been changed in the slightest and it was good judgment to allow it to stand as it was, for although Yorke and Adams at \$2 a throw were not a success in it Gordon and North's company in burlesque houses and at burlesque prices wili positively be.

The piece has the usual musical comedy plot which is light but is still more than is offered usually by burlesque writers.

In presenting a show of this sort the most essential thing is to supply a cast that can carry out the ideas of the writer. Gordon and North have not overlooked this important fact and have supplied a company of players that easily compare with the cast Yorke and Adams selected to put the show over in a \$2 house.

There are not many numbers in the frame up, and for burlesque a couple more might be supplied without hurting any. What numbers there are, however, are far above the usual standard and they have really been put on. Julian Aifred is given credit for the staging and he has done his job weil. The hit number of the show. comes right at the getaway in "I've Got the Ring But I Haven't Got the Girl." The melody is catchy and the chorus has been worked in to make the number a resounding hit. It was repeated again and again. It is not carried through by any business of comedians or anything of that sort, but goes through solely on its merits as a pretty melody and a well staged number. "Rag Baby" was also well received and capitally put over by Eva Mull with the chorus working gingerly behind her. For one of the encores Miss Muli is assisted by two boys who bring more applause through their hard shoe dancing with the leader. "Lady Love," a novelty number which permits a short review with the different chorus girls representing Broadway stars was also a hit. The number would be even stronger were the stars picked with better judgment. Bessie McCoy was the hit and this should have been the tlp to slip in more of the lively stuff. "Lady Killing Kilties" with the chorus in Scotch costumes was placed too far down on the list to get all that was coming to it.

The usual number of chorus girls are carried with six chorus men to help out the singing. The show ranks well up as a singing organization both as to chorus and principals. The girls are lively and the good looking wardrobe helps the appearance more than can be told. The color scheme of costune is well worked out and the general appearance to the eye is always pleasing.

The comedy comes more from situations than from business. It is mostly of the quieter sort and the way the audience fell for the clean stuff should convince many of the "Old School" that perhaps there is something to laugh at in other things besides the bladder, seltzer bottle, et al.

Will Fox and Harry Marks Stewart are the two comedians of the troupe and their work can be summed up as "one" for they are on the stage together at all times. The pair take the Hebrew roles which Yorke and Adams had in the original production. As a team they do exceedingly well, knowing each other's style thoroughly they work well together and get laughs at all times through working easily and naturally. Their dressing, which is clean and tidy, makes their funnisms stand out the more prominently.

II. Terry, as a fly jockey, does very nicely, although his shortage in the dancing department is a bit of a drawback. Terry dresses well and handles numbers nicely. A catch word used throughout the show became funny as the show advanced.

Harry E. Yost got through a villain role in fitting shape. A bit loud at times, but on the whole satisfactory. He helps the comedians out playing straight on a couple of occasions

Ed. Lovet is another straight man that does not quite come up to the part. Lovet doesn't seem to realize that there is a little something expected of him in the acting line. He has a role that calls for a tear in the voice once in a while and the little soft stuff would help. At the head of a couple of numbers he does fairly. There are several other men who do odd bits that do not amount to much.

Dorothy La Mar is principal woman, although not figuring as prominently as a couple of the others. She does not get into the numbers at all and is simply there because the plot is. She is a tall statuesque blonde who can and does wear clothes, but has the usual blonde coldness surrounding her. She is satisfactory but the other two women principals outshine her.

Eva Mull carries the brunt of the work in a soubret role. Eva is cute and lively and makes an altogether likeable little soubret. At the head of several numbers she does beautifully. "Rag Baby" she gets over in fine style and her pretty graceful stepping helps immensely. Eva also has a varied and pretty collection of gowns.

Fay Tunis is the third female principal and Fay does admirably. She has a chance to read lines and she gets them over intelligently and convincingly. She is endowed with many physical charms and her pretty face and pleasing personality together with her really good work makes her stand out in the burlesque field. "The World of Pleasure" goes a long way toward raising the standard of the Empire Wheel shows and as it stands makes a first-class two-hour and a half entertainment at which none can rightfully enter a protest.

Dash.

Griff, the English juggler, was due to arrive in New York Wednesday. He is billed to appear at the American next week. Edne Mollon was on the same boat. She will lead the production of "Ma Gosse" at that house next week

VANITY FAIR.

"Sections" is the manner in which the various parts of the entertainment that is being shown by Gus. Hill's "Vanity Fair" organization are designated. The show is a good one from a burlesque standpoint, but not one that will ever set the world afire.

It is just a comfortable sort of an entertainment which in the afterplace develops all that there is to the show and sends the audience away with the impression that they have at least had a good laugh.

In comedy the show is strong, for it has Billy Ritchie for principal comedian. That is quite enough for any burlesque show that is out after laughter

In the matter of female principals the organization betrays a very noticeable weakness. There is not one woman in the quartet that carry the leads who shines to any particular advantage. Perhaps had they been given greater opportunity to display their abilities the result would have been different.

Of the men, there are several in addition to Ritchie who help matters along materially. This is particularly true of Richard McAllister, Monte Howard and Charles Cardon.

The chorus, which numbers fourteen, while it cannot boast of any raving beauties has quite a few pretty girls, works hard and wears the costumes assigned to them with effectiveness.

The opener is entitled "A Night at the Road House." The story deals with three politicians, two of whom are not adverse to a little flirtation occasionally and as the wife of the third is rather a good looking girl they make "a play" for her. At the opening it is explained that the lady in question intends to keep an appointment with her husband's political rivals, compromise them and then force them to retire from the field in her "hubby's" favor. But the plot is soon lost sight of and the show goes on in a hap-hazard manner to a finish that is far from a riot.

In the first number after the opening chorus, "Hindoo Hobo Man," one discovers that the shadowgraph idea that the Karno company put on at the American several weeks ago has already found its way to burlesque. For this number the girls are dressed in strip tights with "nightles" over them. The calciums are placed upstage and the forms of the chorus are placed in relief. The girls sing the number and then a sheet is lowered with a number of poses are shown with Ritchie and McAllister doing the comedy, and the jumping into the audience effect.

Following this Winifred Francis, who, from her pronounced accent, would seem to be an Eng'ish girl, essays a single specialty, doing two numbers that have the tinge of blue to them. The numbers have no place in the action and Miss Francis would not get them over on her own personality were it not for the "rough stuff." During the action of the first part she has the role of the wife of the aspiring young politician, and is the girl that the two "gay old boys" are trying to "date up." This gives her a part in all the principal situations and

she manages to put her lines over in a fairly likeable manner. In dressing she is not quite up to the mark of the Eastern Wheel standard. She wears but two gowns, one a rather shricking green, and another a combination red and cream lace treation. The latter gives her the appearance of being overdressed.

Anna Woods, who leads the next number is a clever little girl who should have been given a greater opportunity as far as heading numbers is concerned. The number "Germany" is a pretty little affair that has done service in many different forms for many years past along broadway and in burlesque. The chofus makes a pretty appearance in their Dutch costumes finished off with wooden sabots.

"Silver Beil," the rext of the numbers is led by Rena La Couvier, and introduces Lottie Crossland in a dance specialty with the chorus backing them up in Indian costumes. It is here that the girls show that they have had ample drilling in the working of the numbers.

This is followed by two mixed quartets in rapid succession. The first, "Mine, All Mine," gets by on the strength of the comedy finish with a policeman bringing the first of the laughs. The second, "Health, Wealth and the Girl You Love," a drinking song, just manages to get an encore or two. The latter is given to Monte Howard, who judging of the manner in which he cuts loose with his voice during the ollo must have been husbanding his strength for the latter effort.

"Broadway Glide" is the title of the number that comes just before the finale. The girls are in plantation costume, with little pantellettes and look pretty, but the number is rather a dead one in the manner in which it is staged at present.

For the finale there is an Amazon march that has been held over from last season. It is done with a snap and managed to earn a curtain for the act.

The olio is made up of three turns, all drawn from the organization. The opener is Rena LaCouvier and the Twelve Red Raven Cadets. The girls have been well drilled in the matter of marches and formations and their work with light muskets in the gun drill earned hearty applause.

Howard and Lewis, doing a talking act, consisting of a straight and a Dutchman, got over in great shape. Their talk is clever and they both manage to put over a number nicely. A "Hammerstein" song by Al. Lewis held up the action of the act for several minutes with the demand for encores. Cook and Sylvla in a singing and dancing offering, managed to pull down the hit of the olio portion, although starting rather badly. first number that this team offered seemed to be a contest to see which, either the orchestra or the actor. could hit the most sour notes. The team won out.

For the closer there is "Fun in a London Music Hall," a holdover from last season, but still as funny as ever and sends the audience away with a full appreciation that they had spent a rather pleasant evening.

HAPPIEST NIGHT OF HIS LIFE.

If you don't like Chicago, and have the temerity to mention it in that city, the double-dyed Chicagoan shrugs his shoulders, remarking "New Yorker." That mutual feeling of almost hate is the theme for the song hit of Victor Moore's new show "The Happlest Night of Hls Life," now in its third week and a very big success at the Colonial, Chicago.

Chicagoans believe they are living fast because you may ride around the real Chicago by the way of an elevated "Loop" and get out of the city quickip. Chicago is built like a buttonhook, as outlined by the elevated railroads. The Loop is surrounded by traction lines and hold up men on the north, south and west. Lake Michigan has prevented the city from taking in Buffalo on the east.

Chicago is slow. No lover of soft coal who has been brought up to wear colored shirts in order to cheat the laundry man will admit that out there. They don't deny though that the Sun rises an hour later in Chicago than New York. That is but one of the many things.

Since the Sherman House opened

Since the Sherman House opened Monday, with The College Inn on the go again, Chicago may recover itself, but the slowness of the town is accountable for the undoubted success that Frazee & Lederer have put over with Mr. Moore and the show.

Chicago likes Victor Moore. They laugh at him and he is the maker of the show's success. The remainder of the company, with an exception, have apparently taken the tempo from Moore's methods. He is almost methodical in playing.

"The Happiest Night of His Life" is a farce, with music. There is a chorus of sixteen, equally divided between boys and girls. It is about twenty minutes after the curtain goes up before the chorus girls appear, as wldows, led by Annabelle Whitford, the statuesque beauty is the princlpal woman of the support. The first act runs slowly, so slow in fact that before a chance could weil be taken on a New York opening, it would have to be livened up considerably. But Chicago doesn't care for that. At \$1.50 for the best orchestra seat, the Colonial was capacity the night the piece was seen.

There are three acts, each fare weil. Two of the biggest hits of the show follow one another late in the last act. Immediately after Mr. Moore recites a slow recitation, putting it over big for the third hit.

There's some good comedy, of the quiet sort, and good music in "The Happiest Night." "New York and Chicago" is the musical success, sung by Mr. Moore and Miss Whitford. It is a "panning" number, Miss Whitford playing a Chicago widow who is in New York, while Mr. Moore is the fllp New Yorker, wise to everything and trying to do a young fellow a service by securing \$500 for him through inducing a crabby old uncle to "see the sights." The \$500 is for expense money. A love story intert ines durlng the action, and is later joined by another.

Albert Von Tilzer composed the music. There are many numbers, some with very good "busin'ss,"

"Laughing Widows" sung by Miss Whitford and the chorus does nicely. Annabelle is concerned in much of the singing. She has warmed up quite some, but there is still room. In one number Miss Whitford does a bit of a rag with a wiggly movement that 's the livellest as well as the best section of the evening work that she attends to.

Junie McCree is the chief comedian, starting as a policeman, but loans his uniform and badge to a "Dutch" parveyor of "hot dogs." With his authority gone, Mr. McCree becomes a butler in the second act, where he shines brillantly.

The hlt of the show is Gertrude Vanderbilt. Miss Vanderbilt plays a girlie part. She is just leaving hereens, and has a coming out party. Not appearing until the second acc. full of life and animation, with pretty dancing, and a most magnetic stage presence, besides presenting a sweet stage picture, Miss Vanderbilt easily cleans up on everything she attempts. For one thing her vivacity places her forward in the slowness of the others and the action. As in "Miss Gibbs," Gertrude seems to have been fortunate.

She works mostly with Jack Henderson, who plays cieverly a light comedian's role. In "Jane" Miss Vanderbiit and Mr. Henderson have one of the prettlest dances the stage has seen in musical comedy for many a day. It ends with a Tourbillon finish, and is the applause hit of the performance. It is after this that Mr. McCree and Sailie Stembler start another riot with "What a Difference When You're Married." Miss Stembler secures many laughs from a grotesque character of a servant, excellently played. During the second act Emma Littiefield enters as a specialist, merely dancing, and has naught else to do during the evening. Phii Ryley is the old and studious professor, giving a first rate performance, while Julia Raiph is his wife.

The show is nicely set in two scenes covering the three acts. No extravagance has been attempted in the dressing. During the first act the choristers do not change costumes, nor do the principal women wear many gowns.

Mr. McCree and Sydney Rosenfeld wrote the book. It is a good story with pleuty of humor. Were it played as fast as it is capable of being, with more girls, "The Happiest Night of His Life" should be a crack entertainment.

It was probably Mr. McCree who wrote in for Mr. Moore to say, when disputed; "If you think I'm wrong, ten will bring you twenty." That expression is now being used over Chicago.

And Chicago likes the show so well from Indications, It may remain there the remainder of the season.

Sime.

Grouch and Welch start a return trlp over the Orpheum Circuit, from May 15, booked by M. S. Bentham.

Geo. Austin Moore and his wife, Cordelia, commence the Orpheum Circuit Jan. 30, as a "two-act." Bentham put it over.

FOLLIES OF THE DAY. Philadelphia, Jan. 26.

The injection of the roughest kind of comedy methods and a liberal essence of spice wherever it could be conveniently dropped in has not spoiled "Follies of the Day," but it has removed the show from the rank of high class burlesque entertainment,

removed the show from the rank of high class burlesque entertainment, something which Barney Gerard boasted of for more than one season. This departure may answer the question as to whether or not the Empire Circuit, or Western Wheel demands the undergrade of shows, but giving full credit to the entire program it is almost certain that with the objectional atmosphere eliminated "Follies of the Day" would be just as good a show as it ever was.

Louie Dacre, the "irresponsible one" is a central figure and indulges in some of the material which has made her and her title known. But Miss Dacre has grown timid or was working "under wraps." It is more likely the latter. She did not exactly "clean up" for polite society for she still inclines toward the decidedly suggestive and makes every point count. She dropped the "Affinity" song, but used "Oh, Mr. Brown," though the number was tempered until it was almost quiet. Working along these subdued lines, Miss Dacre gave some idea that she can play legitimately and secure laughs. but her kissing line with Lew Acker, early in the show is no proof. She wears some stunning gowns and in one looked like one of those green dragon contortionists, though her efforts to contort were confined to a few tantalizing wiggies in a tight fitting black dress. Mlss Dacre wears hobbles, but they are all above the walst line.

One first class comedian could do a lot for the comedy of the show if he were allowed to work along legitimate lines and it would be a noverty. There are three listed comedians in the cast, Sam Hearn, W. J. McIntvre and Lew Reynoids. At various stages during the action of the piece, which is a two-act affair called "The Garden of Girls," Hearn and McIntyre secure good results from some real efforts in comedy business. There is never a chance for Reynoids who spends onehalf of his time on the floor and when he is not there he is indulging in roughhouse methods in an effort to secure a laugh or indulging in comedy of the widest siapstick variety, Keynolds wore badiy very early. In his over-bearing efforts to secure laughs he overwheims Hearn and McIntyre. so that this palr are handlcapped against making good on Individual efforts.

Hearn and McIntyre do their best work in the second act, where the former is a funny rube and McIntyre, his son. Hearn also introduces his violin playing which scored strongly. Gertrude Hayes Is the hard worker of the show and she is going in farther towards roughing it up this year than ever. In one number she left the stage to be hugged by one of the occupants of the boxes, but had a hard time getting anyone to accept the invitation to mount the stage for a waltz. One feliow did and was "staked" to one of the "ponies" for a dance. Otherwise Miss Hayes makes her presence

felt throughout the show. She leads several numbers with excellent results and contributes her old specialty in front of the "Bricktops" and one with Lew Reynolds which amounted to nothing.

Ed. Nelson and W. J. Ward add considerable to the entertaining quality of the show. Nelson has a good voice and keeps it working pretty steadily, seldom failing to secure results while Ward also does well with his singing and put over a piano specialty in the second act which was one of the best liked features. All the numbers in the show are well worked up and while the dressing is not always harmonious or attractive to the eye, it is bright and colorful and gives the girls a good appearance. Lew Acker wades through the action quietly, doing satisfactory work and there are several "bits" which bring others into the line of principals, Marie Hilton, one of the "ponies" winning individual honors in a small way.

The "ponies" pull down a lot of honors for their snappy, spirited way of working. They are kept in view steadily, making many changes and always working their heads off in the numbers. They have a good backing in a bunch of capable choristers who average up well on all points.

The musical portion of the show has been well cared for. It is one portion which Gerard has not allowed to go back. The second act is made up principally of specialties and the ending is rather abrupt, but as the action of whatever story is supposed to be running through the piece is interrupted continually, the lack of solution for a climax must be expected.

With the present "Follies" Gerard will probably please along the Western Wheel route, but it removes Gerard from the position he once held among a class of burlesque producers who showed an inclination to uplift burlesque to a plane of legitimate entertainment.

George M. Young.

Maude Adams received twenty-two curtain calls after the first act of "Chantecler" at its premiere Monday evening (Knickerbocker theatre). To but one of the calls did Miss Adams respond alone.

The Lawrence theatre, New London, Ct., has been leased by P. J. Rafferty of Providence to the Manhattan Amusement Co. Grant Heth will be the manager. The house continues in the "pop" class.

THE LONDON TOUCH.

Have you ever been in London, Strolling through Lelecster Sq. And had an alleged "Yank" come up To boldingly brace you there?

He told you how in days gone by He also was a star And with that famous "Tom show" Tinveled near and far.

Did he say he knew Dan Daly,
The one Pat Rooney, too,
And that he was the real thing
Across the ocean blue?

Pat Casey worked for him Many years ago. Also, did not Marc Klaw Want to back him in a show?

Did be finish up by saying.

A check there was to come
And could you slip him sixpence
For that would help him some?

After you had staked the And mingled with the Cheng; Didn't you wonder her wallow this pest. The show business got along?

FIFTH AVE.

(Estimated Cost of Show, \$4,200.) Valeska Suratt one of the contenders for Gold Medal Honors in the drawing power contest is the top-liner at the Fifth Ave. this week. Judging Miss Suratt's chances by her preliminary work this week ten will get you twenty against her having the gold breast plate. Down stairs the house was very light, the front rows of the

twenty against her having the gold breast plate. Down stairs the house was very light, the front rows of the balcony (prices same as down stairs) were also light. The balcony and upper gallery were well filled. A rather good all-round bill is offered with the bill running in the order named on the program.

Maximo, the wire walker, opened The balancer is not the program. getting all that he should for some of the work he does. It appears to be iack of showmanship and an uncertainty in performing. It may be that he is trying to follow Robledillo too The routines do not vary a great deal and Maximo is suffering in comparison. To those who have not seen the Cuban. Maximo may look big. Lack of speed hurts some. This is due probably to his dwelling too long on each trick attempted. Maximo is a good wire walker, but he is not doing as good a specialty as he should, with proper attention to his work. Charles Olcott (New Acts) was "No. Russell and Smith's Minstrels (New Acts) followed.

Deviin and Eilwood were "No. 4" and pulled out a good size hit with the laughing skit, "The Girl from Yonkers." Mae Eilwood's work stands out strongly in the piece and her voice is one of those Viola Allen things that is with you after leaving the theatre. Mr. and Mrs. Jack McGreevy (New Acts) "No. 5."

Miss Suratt and company filled in "No. 6." The audience took rather kindly to the act. There have been a few changes made since the turn was at Hammerstein's. The wedding finish has been extended. The bridal party are now shown entering and leaving the church. It is not an improvement on the other "finish," though it worked well. Monday night everyone became mixed. The drop coming down struck one of the girls on the head. The star did not appear at all, and the piece finaled with none in sight, the audience waiting for something to happen. att must have been peeved. She refused to appear for a curtain. Fletcher Norton deserves all the credit that can be bestowed upon him. He works all the time and whoops things up trying, succeeding very well in putting some life into what otherwise might become a very slow offering. little girl who comes back to do a special dance with one of the clowns might be given another costume. doesn't look well to see her appear a second time in the costume worn by the rest of the chorus.

Wright and Dietrich were down next to closing. The position was a bit too strong for them. It is a very good singing specialty but the act did not get over the way it has on other appearances at the house. They would have fared better in "No. 4," and the McGreey's placed next to closing.

The Elton-Polo casting act nicely closed the bill. Dash.

COLONIAL.

(Estimated Cost of Show, \$5,025.)

To surround one of the greatest cards vaudeville has ever found (Nat C. Goodwin) a straightaway good entertaining program is given at the Colonial, too good to have received the dent it did down next to closing, an altogether too important position for Anna Chandler to hold up.

Miss Chandler, a good "coon shouter" of the usual type, was buried beneath the weight of the show above her. Even a very noisy "clacque" present could do little more than expose itself by continuing to applaud after all other sands were long since stilled. The "clacque" proposition, an English institution, was quite busy Monday at this house.

Séveral new acts are on the bill. Sylvester and Redmond are reviewed in that department, Harry Tighe and Co., the big feature, Mr. Goodwin, and even the orchestra leader, Julius Lenzberg (who has found the way to make an act out of intermission).

The Colonial was jammed from roof to cellar Monday night. It was a good house for the actors. Kessler and Lee, dancers, opened the show. Barring that they string the opening international medley into a length that would suffice for the entire time of a dancing turn, the boys do very well and did extremely so in the position.

In the former sketch of "The Dramatic Agent." James F. Kelly and Annie Kent reappeared as "No. 2," doing nicely throughout, scoring very largely with the closing in "one. The Bowery" dance and the prize fight announcement brought large volumes of laughter and applause. In the opinion of a great many, it was the "Bowery spiel" of Kelly and Kent's from which the "Apache" dance sprung. There is no question but that the foreign "Apache" dance is a close relative of the "Bowery," quite as much so as the "Apache" himself is but the Bowery tough in another

Genee and her ballet of eight dancers were recalled by the presence of the "Original 8 Madcaps," acrobatic dancers, more acrobatic than dancers. Perhaps it was the memory of Genee which held down the applause of the Madcaps to even then a higher point than it should have reached. Had the audience gave the vociferous applause it generally does to girls who can turn cartwheels in short skirts, it would have been a crying shame as against what Genee was greeted with for her marvelous toe work.

In between were the new acts, with Miss Chandler far down. With two songs, "I Love It" and "Lovey Joe" Miss Chandler evidences her limitations. The spot light in other numbers did not aid. Miss Chandler should cling to "coon songs" and if given her selection of position, take 'No. 3." Of course, as yet, vaudeville audiences do not know the style of each music publisher, but if things keep on they will soon learn. Whoever instructed Miss Chandier in the singing of "I Love It," might call another rehearsal to teach the girl a little more restraint while rendering the song. Gruber's Animals closed.

MANHATTAN OPERA HOUSE.

(Estimated Cost of Show, \$4,040.)

It was a placid sort of an audience at the Manhattan Tuesday night. They seemed loath to enthuse over anything although the bill was one with sufficient novelty to make it quite likeable.

The first haif was made up entirely, with one exception, of acts in "one," the curtain not being raised until "The Comstock Mystery," in which Charlotte Parry closed the first part, scoring a solid hit. Although the working in "one" seemed to give the bill the appearance of being unbalanced, at least two of the acts put over their material in a most successful manner. The second half was arranged in a fashion hardly any better. Two acts in full stage following each other caused a wait. Of the four turns in this portion, there were three in full stage.

Before the intermission the show did not get a real start until Trovato in third position managed to draw several bows. The violinist has shortened his turn somewhat this week and he left the audience clamoring. The two numbers that preceded were Hennessy and Son (New Acts) and Van Hoven. The latter has a constant flow of chatter with the bigness of the house against him. The close with the two boys from the audience was his best laugh getter.

Harry Fox and the Millership Sisters were next to closing the first part. The girls were the first to appear on the bill and gave the muchneeded touch of color. The act was put over in a manner that earned unstinted applause. Opening the second half Tom Nawn and Co. started the laughter with "When Pat Was King."

After a stage wait of quite two minutes the majestic Kitty Gordon held forth. She presented three numbers, opening with "Ashes of Roses" and closing with "I've Got to Go and Get a Girl Like You." The box "plugging" has been dropped. Miss Gordon manages fairly well with it, receiving an encore and finally walking away with the applause hit.

For real laughter though, it remained for Neii O'Brien and Wm. H. Hallett (New Acts) to walk off with that honor safely in their pockets. The Camille Trio, with a comedy acrobatic bar act, were in the closing spot, holding the house in and giving the bill a strong laughing finish.

The attendance was only fair on the lower floor. The upper lofts, however, judging by the applause, appeared to be well filled. Fred.

CALL "POP" HOUSE "GARAGE."

Red Bank, N. J., Jan. 26.

"The Garage" will be the name of the new "pop" house Walter Rosenberg will soon open in this town. Mr. Rosenberg has taken over a garage, and will have a capacity of about 900.

Walter says that to name it "The Garage" will help business. Being a small town, when one man meets another saying, "Where are you going?" the other fellow will answer, "Oh. just down to the Garage" and then make good.

OBITUARY

Herkimer, N. Y.,.Jan. 26. Francis F. Eldred, the 8-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Eldred, was killed by a fall from a hay mow on the Hildreth Farm near here a week ago last Friday. The child's parents were in New York at the time making arrangements for a vaudeville The boy was practically born in the profession and the blood of a long line of show folk flowed through his veins. On his mother's side he was descended from Mme. Pauline Hine, his great grandmother; she was the sister of Mme. Ciniselli, founder of the show of that name in Russia. His great grandfather was James Newsome, horse breaker and circus proprietor of England. His grandmother and grandfather were Emma Newsome and W. Fredericks, the Glasgow horseman. On his father's side his grandfather was Gilbert N. Eldred, partner of the late John Robinson in the Robinson and Eldred shows. His grandmother was Mrs. Harmston Love, proprietress of the Harmston Show, which has toured India for the past 20 vears.

New Orleans, La., Jan. 26.

Amy Aitken, wife of James H. Aitken, of the Great Aitkens, died at her home here, 2221 Gravier street, Jan. 17, at the age of 30. She had been ill for seven weeks. The body was interred in St. Patrick's Cemetery this city. A husband and three children survive.

Buffalo, N. Y., Jan. 26.
Arthur Thompson, known professionally as Col. William Baker, died here in the Emergency Hospital, following a fall on an icy pavement. The deceased was a giant in statue, being 7 feet 7 inches in height and was

well known in circus circles.

for interment.

Rocky Ford, Colo., Jan. 26.
Viola Gibson, of Viola and George, died in a hospital this city of typhoid fever Tuesday of last week after a three weeks' illness. The body was taken to San Francisco by her mother

Seattle, Jan. 26.

Richard French died in this city Jan. 16, of Bright's disease. He came here in the 80's, and has played in stock. His wife, Eva Earle French. survives him.

George Levaion, an old time variety and circus performer, died on Jan. 7. in New York, from a combination of diseases. He is survived by a wife and three children.

Francois X. Brindamour, father of Brindamour, the Jall Breaker, died at his home in Woonsocket, R. I.. Jan. 16, aged 64 years.

Mrs. Mary Noss died Jan. 23, at the family home, New Brighton, Pa., in her seventieth year. The deceased was the mother of the Musical Nosses and Ber'ha Nose-Russell.

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Unless otherwise noted, the following reports are for the current week.

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Advertisements and News Will Be Accepted at the Chicago Office, for the Current Issue of VARIETY, Until 6 o clock Wednesday evenings.

MAJESTIC (Lyman B. Glover, mgr.; agent, Orpheum Circuit).—Several incidents of conspicuous moment made Monday afternooms performance notworthy. The phenomenal "clean up" scored by Dooley and liners, the remarkably attractive act presented by the Bell Family, the unattractiveness as entertainment of the interval which presented Geo. Auger and Co., and the chill which Arthur Deagon suffered down next to closing were other items of record. "That's silly" Dooly and Peacherion" Sayles took the house by storm and registered an aimost record breaking hit. No act could have gone better, and no audience could have susped harder or shown more plainly its delight in the tom-foolery of this clever couple. The Bill Eamilys octon an analysis of the seven could have susped harder or shown more plainly its delight in the section wherein musical belie of various description were manipulated by the nine players in executing the sext from "Lucla." This was the big hit of a series of hits which the splendid act pulled down. Through no fault of Kolb the "Delicatessen Shop," from "The Summer Widdows" did not register anything more than a passing success as a vaudeville interlude. The laughs were wide apart, the comedy ran slowly and as a result the show dropped very perceptibly during the time the feature act was prominent. Deagon could report the prominent of his entrance the walk-out kept up. Not until he cut into a round of parodies on operatic bits and popular songs did his act have the true vaudeville ring; from there onward, practically all the way. At 2 o'clock Lem Put, in third position, was insishing off his act. He won a fair amount of upplause. Harry Harvel, contribuits his sisters contributed their best share on attractiveness in kills to finish the act. Linton and Lawrence started the first real commotion of the afternoon. They were here a few months ago, won admirers and came heaving the province of r

end, where it belonged. WALT.

AMERICAN (Wm. Moris, mgr.; agent, direct).—With fourteen acts, the ill. songster and a reel of pictures the Music Hail bill runs evenly throughout. This week there are three big hits, but the balance of the bill is made up of unusualla good material. Westa Victoria heading of the hit is more than the more sense of the bill is made to be going much better and figured in the hit column with a large percentage. The other big hit turned out to be Brown and Cooper, playing a return engagement. Both boys are well known about Chicago but are making good on ability nevertheless. After the Hamilton Brothers opened the show came Johnnie McGuirr with the sides boosting Shapiro's latest. Mons. Herbert back for the second time this season, entertained with his musical novetly. Young and

Marks are much better dancers than singers. The pair scored on the foot work. The Juggiling Normans have a fine routine of club work. The troup went through their work with only one miss Monday aftermore the second of the seco WYNN.

an illusion but could not hold the audience in their seats, following Victoria.

STAR (Chas. Hagerdorn, mgr.: agent. Frank Q. Doyle).—If Eddie Shayne's enhusiasm will have the desired affect on Milwaukee Avenue, the shawl brigade will soon be seen heading for the Star theatre twice daily for Eddie announces that hereafter the house will play a twelve-act bill, two shows a day. Business hasn't been any too encouraging since the three-a-day policy went into effect, but strange as it may seem the tide turned completely around this week and Monday night the show was given to the best house the Star has sheltered in a long time. Shayne has the right idea, for Milwaukee Avenue wants quantity and not usuity. Half the patrons of the State of Milwaukee Avenue wants quantity and not usuity. Half the patrons of the State of Milwaukee Avenue wants quantity and not usuity. Half the patrons of the State of Milwaukee Avenue wants quantity and not usuity. Half the patrons of the State of the State of the State of Milwaukee Avenue wants quantity and not usuity. Half the patrons of the State of the Weekly allowance and the Freezent of the weekly allowance and the result is a first-class show. Aldine and Cassidy open with a comedy acrobatic offering which is always sure to find things casy at the Star. A neck-fall is sure to take the house by storm and Aldine and Cassidy of several. The straight man is a first-class tumbler. Elilott and Neff are from the burlesque field. The pair have just together a fairty good routine of talk and should find plenty to do around the annual together a fairty good routine of talk and should find plenty to do around the annual together a fairty good routine of talk and should find plenty to do around the from the state of the state of the state of the first of the state of the stat

STAR AND GARTER (Wm. Beebe, mgr.).

"'Queens of the Jardin de Paris' furnished fine entertainment for the usual houseful Sunday night. Jacobs & Jermon have made liberal investment for scenery and costumes, have used good judgment in selecting principals and the plot of the two-act burnished the principals and the plot of the two-act burnished the principals and the plot of the two-act burnished the principals and the plot of the wo-act burnished the principals and the plot of the organization. The prile average very well on appearance, but it is their ability to dance and disport themselves in the several numbers which sends their average soaring. In the ballet diversion which introduces Mile. Kremsa and Sig. Mikof as principals the choristers appear to particularly good advantage. Opening the scene they give, in waitz movement, what in other shows would be considered an amazonian march; in the present lines the however the girls are not all in tights, as is usually the case. The

next centralization of the girls brings them forward in polka time, to further dance in company front, twos and fours a different maze. The idea is very clever in itself and the girls make it get over strong. Kremza and Mikof are again prominent, along with selected members of the chorus. In an "apache" interval which forms an other number in the oil. They are superion on their own. Campbell and Curtis sat on a sult case in the centre of the stage, as do McMahon and Chappelle, and hold comedy converse with much laughter attendant. Miss Curtis deserves credit for being a big half of the act her method of putting over the straight feeding being consummated with an exceptional degree of skill. The oilo opener was Adeialde Roatini who gave male character changes with eneddy attendant. We have the straight feeding being consummated with an exceptional degree of skill. The oilo opener was Adeialde Roatini who gave male character changes with eneddy attendant. We have the summer of the straight feeding being consummated with special scenery. Harry Keler, a cleanly Herbert of the straight feeding have been an Irishman of unction, handle a line of comedy in the burlesque which is light and frivolous, pure fun and potent for laughter. They are in and out, working mostly together, and by clean methods produce the desired results. Joseph Philips is serviceable as a principal and does yeoman work as a number leading like a Trojan and in a white flannel baseball suit presented as an principal and the "peachlest" sort imaginable. She is vivacious and pretty, works in her number leading like a Trojan and in a white flannel baseball suit presented as a principal of a "boy" as this stage has displayed this season. During the last half he Orpheus Comedy Four presented their specialty, scoring a hit which stopped the show.

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FOLLY (John Fennesey, mgr.)—When Pat White, manager and ater of the "Galety Giris" show, selected Louis Doil as musical director, his qualifications as a marksman must have figured along with his knowledge of music; for Doil has both a good ear and a good eye. The eye, however, is most important, as the house leader could, in an emergency, pull the show out if Doil were less a fiddler than he reality is. In the operation of a squirt-gun for the projection of streams of water, Doil is to the White style of burlesque what the projection of streams of water, Doil is to the White style of burlesque what the projection of streams of water, Doil is to the White style of burlesque what the projection of streams of water, Doil is to the White style of burlesque what had been stand play a plano with buillets—but could he hit Pat White with a squirt of water at a distance of twenty feet? Chevaller De Loris may be all that he claims to be in shooting buckshot around the corner of a house—but could he wing the dodging Patrick with a water-rife without slopping up a chorus girl's called dress? Buffaio Bill may be able to break giass balls in the ali while he sits astride a fiery steed in full motion around the arena—but could he with oright eye plumb full? It squirt Particlas which made Sunday afternoon at the Foliy a period in this vale of tears seem not utterly wasted, the while "Galety Giris" trooped across the stage and Pat White and his others disported themselves. Doil surely is a "doil" when it comes to operating a pistofful of Cheage River water. At his feet, while he fiddles, he has a pail of water; near him also is the "gun" ready to load and fire when Pat reaches that spot and the stream of water must of necessity pass between two chorus girls to reach its shinning mark. Doil is leaves the direction of the orchestra to the house leader when time comes for the contest. He leans forward, mustes to about three-quarters of his

Patrick six times; once in each eye, twice on the breast, once in the ear, and once on each arm—but he entirely nilssed White's mouth. The process of squirt-gun filling and firing was real diversion. To the hard working element which comes from the stock yards to find entertainment, it must have seemed an easy way to get money. The actual labor was about equally divided; for, while White was compelled to dodge and jump around in his effort to escape the consequences of Doll's unerring aim, Dol and stand up again to discharge the contents of his water-weapon. It was right comical to watch White try to duck the stream which Doil shot in his direction; it was also remarkable to note that while the choristers filtted to and fro Doil managed to squirt through their ranks without hitting a mother's daughter of 'em. It is the purpose of this report to give Doil credit—he's the sure-fire water-gun manipulator of the world, eagle-eyed, iron-nerved and worthy of all praise as champion in hocks.

CLARK (Joseph Grein, mgr.; agent, Wm. Morris, Inc.).—Seven miles from city hall vaudeville of splendid quality is the control of the control

The Sherman House was formally opened to the public last Monday. The new structure makes a valuable addition to Chicago's high grade hotel properties. The College inn has been in operation since Dec. 28.

Harry Miller, one of the Association's bookers, is temporarily manager of the Hamilton, a South Side 10-20. The corporation which originally operated the place has been haled into Court and until the affairs of the house can be adjudicated Miller will run it as the representative of another company which expects to take the place over when the way is made clear.

Bert Delno, who has provided the aerial bar features with Shows for several vaudeville act for a few weeks in Chicago under the caption, Four Delnos. Next sum-mer they will be with the Ringling Show.

"Ressle Leonard, Her Book" is the title of an investment in printer's ink which that Hitle artist has made. The work is bound between covers midde to represent a trunk, which same is an important factor in her act. Pictures of Miss Leonard, press notices and some clever lines of wisdom make the work attractive.

Sam Andrews, known to scores of pro-fessionais, has suffered a stroke of factal paralysis. His physicians have hopes of eventual recovery, but he will be for a long time unable to transact his business as a theatrical costumer.

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Shaw and Armer, Australian performers, have reached Chicago coming from Friscovia the Flaher and Webster time. Morris and Wilson, two other Australians, just arrived, were able to show their act at two regular performances at the Plaza-Saturday night, because of a slight injury which caused another acrobatic act to leave the

When "Lower Berth 13" went on the road following its Whitney season, some of the towns were not altogether pleased with the performance. In one place the local newspaper referred to the show's title as "Lower Bunk 13."

It is rumored that an employee of one of the local agencles will feel the weight of discipline which the Agent's Association will bring to bear upon his boss, because of a reported tendency on the part of said clerk to become suddenly fond of ladies who seek employment through the agency in question. Charges will be lodged, according to report and the of the oncern will be held contained in the property of the oncern will be not cut loose from his job.

Hampton and Bassett open on the Pan-tages Circuit, Feb. 23, at Calgary. Richard Burton, at the Lyda this week, is in his third month of Chicago vaudevilie bookings.

The amount of business which the Plaza has been doing attracted a band of "yegs" to the safe of the theatre last Sunday night. Explosives applied to the strong box did not do the trick, and before a second charge could be prepared the robbers fied the place.

Kathryn Rowe Paimer will be about the only one of the La Salle principals now in "The Sweetest Girl in Paris" who will go on the road. She is likely to be retained for "The Girl I Love," the new plece to be staged Feb. 5.

Roy Sebree is suing the management of the Crystal because Frank Q. Doyle cancelled the Stanley Sextet. Roy's act, for the last haif of the week in which they proved a veritable "riot" at the Wilson, recently. The two houses were booked on the same contract, and Sebree's contention, upon advice of Adolph Marks, is in effect that because he reported for rehearsal at the Crystal, with the identical act originally contracted, that the Crystal haif holds good.

William Jucobs, the son of his father, Stage Manager Abe Jacobs, of the Majestle, appeared at the Calumet, South Chicago, in the Sunday only vaudeville bill which Waiter Keefe booked there for Manager John Connors, Slattery, who shook his moustnehe off through stage fright when the original act "tried out" at the Star has been replaced by a young man with permanent whiskers.

Sudden switches changed the original frame-up of this week's Majestic bill. Per-cey Hasweil and Co. were originally head-lined, but William Kolb was substituted, Miss Hasweil coming next week as the fea-ture. In place of Kaimer and Brown, orig-inally announced, Linton and Lawrence are

Last Sundny and Monday brought a shower of legitimate shows to the "Loop" houses: Holbrook Bilm, in "Holbrook Bilm, in "Holbrook" Lyric; Henricita (Tomani, in "Anti-Matrimony," Studebaker, in "Anti-Matrimony," Studebaker, in "The Chearters," Whit-Louis Mann, in "The Chearers," Marker to Mann, in "The Chearers," Marker to Mann, in "The Chearers," Marker to Mann, in "The Chearers," to the Garrick. The New York Hippodrome Costarted an extended engagement at the Auditorium Monday night.

Musical shows holding over are: "The Ar-cadians," the Illinois; "The Sweetest Girl in Paris," the La Salle, and "The Happlest Night of His Life," the Colonial.

Plays continuing are: "The Great Name," at the Cort, "The Nest Egg," Chicago Opera House: "The Country Boy," Powers; "Get Rich Quick Wailingford," Olympic, and "Daddy Dufard," with Albert Chevailer, Princess

Le Ciair and Sampson open on the Interstate time. Jan. 30, at the Majestic, Little Rock. Seymour and Robinson are back from the S-C Coast trip and are now on Paul Goudron's time in this vicinity.

The Boston Store recently held a "food show" with vaudeville as an extra attrac-tion, and last week advertised Trixle Frigan-za as u special feature one afternoon, dem-onstrating a beauty concoction.

The hotel in the new Columbia theatre building will be called the Planters. E. H. Wood, who will manage the house, has his staff in readiness to spring the opening as soon as the contractors are ready to turn the house over to him.

Gus Sun, the "small time" magnate, is due here this week to confer with Chas. Crowl, his representative on the floor of the W. V. M. Association.

Association.

When Elia O'Connor served two weeks' notice on Adolph Marks that she was going to give up a position as his stenographer and office factorum, which she has held for years, it developed that she was not Elia O'Connor, but was Mrs. Lee Krouse. Six months ago, when Adolph took a trip to Sweden, Krouse and Miss O'Connor slipped over into Indiana and were wed. They guarded their secret until Marks wanted to know why the girl was giving up her keys to his vauit. Krause is the sleuth who gained fame overnight by going to New York and finding the name of the street which runs from river to river without crossing Broadway. That qualified him as a 'ten-percenter,' and he has since that time been placing acts in the local vaude-ville houses. His earls btained will be a was house detective at the Baratogs. Anoth stenographer in the local theatrical whiri who has jumped from the typewriter to a happy wedded life is Adeline Seher, who has been with Chas. E. Hodkins since he opened the Chicago office of the Lyric Circuit. She was married Dec. 16, and it would have still remained a secret that her name is Mrs. John J. Smith had she not resigned her place in the usual two weeks' notice form.

Sam Du Vries is traveling Southwest in the sterest of the local S-C office. He has seared twelve theatres in that section, accord-

Morris and Wilson, acrobats, dropped in from Australia isst week to have a try at American vaudeville. They are trying to place themselves locally.

J. C. Matthews has given a Morris, Inc., franchise to the Washington Theater, Bay City, Mich., and will start furnishing acts Feb. 5.

SAN FRANCISCO

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ORPHEUM (Martin Beck, gen. mgr.; agent, Orpheum Circuit).—The very good show at the Orpheum was well received in its entirety Monday evening. Borani and Nevara, opening the program, got all possible out of that position, valuably assisted by the control of the position, valuably assisted by the control of the position of the real paper claim. What Every Woman Wants' were quietly appreciated. Julius Tannen with his monolog started on the run right off the real and never slowed up, finishing strong; White and Stuart in "Cherle" did the trick. After intermission Charles B. Lawier and Daughters held the spot to advantage. Porter J. White and Co. in "The Visitor" received undivided interest, the finish of the sketch being a surprise. The Victoria Fourthought five minutes enough for the position of the control of the control

Harry Bloom, after several weeks in 'Frisco left this week for the east.

James T. Dervin, the ventriloquist, has returned from the east. Manager Alex Kaiser, of the Valencia, has accepted the management of the Garrick, which opened 18 with P. He will handle both house, located a mlie apart.

Albert Pench, the Hebrew parodist, is playing a return date at the Chutes over the Pantages Circuit and repeating his former suc-

The new Premium, Filimore St., opened 18 with the continuous policy playing a spilt week M. P. and three acts of vaudeville, booked by Ernest Howell. Prices 5-10.

Many rumors are afloat regarding the American Music Hall in this city, approaching completion. At least a half dosen different interests and persons are mentioned as half and the control of the names is enough to make the "Shah" laugh. In contradiction to the many stories going about, the Morris Western Co. offices emphatically state the house will be managed by the company when completed.

The Three English Girls have been signed for four weeks with the Broadway Musical Comedy Co. opening at the Chutes 22.

Dick Stanton, formerly with Kolb & Dill, is now managing the Carnation Cafe, Fillmore St.

Fire caused a \$2,500 loss to Fisher's, Pasadena, 11. The confisgration was confined to the stage, which was totally destroyed together with the scenery and properties. Kreatore and the Heim Children lost their trunks. Kreatore saving his violin only. The house will reopen the last week in January.

The Big Heart Social Club, which was organized about four months ago with an initial membership of 65, has grown to 415 members. The following are the officers: Al. Rethenberg, pres.; Frank Barbee, vice-pres.; Benny Otts, treas.; Emmett Winters, aast treas.; Kid Williams, sgt.-at-arms; J. C. McLaugh-lin sec.

Props. Brown & Rivers, of the Gardella, Orville, Cal., a town of 5,000 population, and classed in the category of "Vadam Sowerguys, the classes of the cold timers is up an illamke some of the old timers is up an illamke some six of the cold timers is up an illamke some six of the cold timers is up an illamke some six of the week year booked by Bert Levey Circuit on a "split" week basis, playing the first of the week and the Pantages shows en route to Sacramento from Portiand playing the last half. Last Week the Bert Levey acts were held for the full week and played in conjunction with Pantages show, eleven acts in ali. The house has a seating capacity of 900, charging 25 and 50c. Prices for the eleven acts show were raised to \$1.00 top, with capacity ruling.

Paul Stanhope, who last appeared here in Bothwell Brown's buriesque on "Cleopatra," and Fritzee Guy, a dancer, were married 14 on the stage of the Majestic, Reno, Nev.

The latest startling report is to the effect that Manager Rothschild of the Garrick, Stockton, will hereafter leave the booking of his house to the agent, sight unseen.

City Passenger Agent Chas. W. Foy of the Southern Facific is nursing a painfully burned hand, the result of endeavoring to remove a burning Xmas tree from the parior of the family residence last week.

The Garrick opened 18 with turn-away attendance. Both Impressarios Ackman and Harris are now desirous of disposing of the Chutes and Wigwam respectively. Ellis St. haar't seen such excitement since the old days shortly after the big fire.

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PORTOLA CAFE (Herbert Meyerfeid, gen. mgr.).—Mme. Lloyd: Aurora Arriasa; Mile. Suzanne Remi; The Zaretzky's Russian Troupe; Oxford Quartette.

COLUMBIA (Gottlob & Marx, mgrs.; direction K. & E.).—"The Gir in the Taxi."

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ROSTON

KEITH'S (Harry E. Gustin, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.).—Very good bill this week. Billib Burke's Wild West, interesting feature; Mrs. Gardner Crane & Co., laugh producer; Ward and Curran, same comedy scream; Will H. Fox, well received; "The Leading Lady," clever tabloid musical comedy; Ai and Fanile Stedman, good: Sandberg and Lee, pleased; Three Mascagnos, well ilked. OILPHEUM (V. J. Morris, mgr.; agent, Loew).—Dean and Sibley; Yamomoto Bros, ivon Huff; Leona Guerney; Earl and Wilson; The Christys; Robert Mello; El Harto: Tops, Topsy and Tops; Bernivici Bros.; Mr. and Mirs. Thomas; Lord and Gibson, Mary Davis; That Kid; pictures.

HOWARD ATHENEUM (Jay Hunt, mgr.; agent, Ed. Keliey).—Burlesque; house bill, Bonesetti Troupe; Countess Rossi; Clemenat; Reed's Dogs; Terry and Elmer Co.; Krusader and Job; pictures.

PHILADELPHIA

KEITH'S (H. T. Jordan, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.).—Valerie Bergere and Co. revived Marie Doran's dramatic piaylet "Carmen" as the feature offering of the week's bill. It is an admirable vehicle to display the taients of Miss Bergere, and her portrayal of the reckless gypsy character is a clever bit of acting. From a rather weak beginning the sketch rises to a strongly dramatic climax and I lise the second of the property of the strongly dramatic climax and I lise Bergere is seen at her best. Few artists can boast of the popularity held by Miss Bergere through a long period of vielts, and her welcome this week was a warm one. Herbert Warren made a strong and forceful lover as Don Jose, Stuyesant Kinslow was a dashing Toreadore, Emma Campbell gave a clever interpretation to the role of "Zara" and Katherine Kavanagh and Clyde Adler handled the other roles satisfactorily. The sketch is elaborately and cristically staged with special sotting. The laughing honors went to Raymond and Caverly. The German comedians have about the best line of talk they have ever offered hers and their eighteen or twenty minutes were all laughs. The reconstructed "Planophenos" the a decided what its Lasky act was in its original form. Now it is little less than a "rag" number and has dropped to the "rathskeller" class of acts. The fat comedian won all the honors worth having and his work stood out far above the others. Gladys Lane and Dixle Crans handled the principal "rag" numbers, which suffered through the husky voices of the singers. The act is weak vocally. Martinetti and Sylvester put a whole lot of speed into the early portion of the show with their whirlwind comedy acrobatics. The boys fell right into soft going at the start and there was never and possed without registering anything insured the show with their colon fairly good quality in upper and lower register and has no passed with their black face speelaity and the Sensational Boisection in good shape. Jennings and Renfrew got through in good shape with their black handle for t

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innd-to-hand balancing act which went over time, the head silde finish bringing excellent results. Hearn and Rutter pleased with some accentric dancing. Raymond, Leighton and Morse in a burle-sque sketch cailed "A Rehearsal of William Teil" scored nicely. The act is made up of horse play and "hokum" stuff which has been along the line for many years, but the trio get away with it in good shap fine the recentric musical act with its electric novelty. Pictures.

VICTORIA (Jay Mastbaum, mgr.; agent, H. Bart McHugh).—Frank Graham and Edith Randali, who have been familiar figures in burlesque for several seasons, have hit the small time vaudeville route with their old sketch, "A Gay Old Boy," and this week the pair pulied down a great big hit with it. Grainam recites his story of the "Oil Niggab, and Miss Randali sing to make any mitation of the matter of the control o

FOREPAUGH'S (Miller & Kaufman, mgrs.; agents, Taylor & Kaufman).—Fred Lasere and Co.; Five Grenadiers; Youna and Edith Wardell; Eureka Quartet; Al Wilson; Imperial Trio; picture.

GIRARD AVENUE (Miller & Kaufman, GIRARD AVENUE (Miller & Kaufman).—The Roll-ris: Terry Troupe; Frey and Fields; Three singing Comiques; Ned Dandy. Second haif: builgi Piccaro Troupe; Bennett and Mack; Snglish and Carnahan; Jack Lee; pictures.



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TWENTY-NINTH ST. PALACE (C. H. Keliner, mgr.; agents, Taylor & Kaufman).—Nealon and Clayton; Mack, Toll. Davenport and Teil; Kavano. Second half: Harry and Flo Lamont; The Merediths; Cricket Thorne; pictures.

MANHEIM (Fuhrman Bros., mgrs.; agents, Taylor & Kaufman).—Delaney and Wahiman; The Merediths; Orth and Lillian; Tom Howard and Co. Second half: Nicholas and Housley; The Spauldings; Marie Manning; Tom Howed and Co.; pictures.

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Jacob and Jacob.

GREAT NORTHERN (M. Greenwald, mgr.; agent, H. B. McHugh).—McGrath: Harry Flaher Trio; Brown and Shetfull; Musical Rough Riders. Lust haif: Bert Tyson; Manning Trio; Stantons; Raffin's Monkeys.

GLOBE (B. Israel, mgr.; agent, H. B. McHugh).—Buster Brown Minstreis, Musical Walters; The Freemans; Anna Belmont. Last haif: Belle Carmen; Zimmer; McCaulley and Donnelly; Downey and Ashton.

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The Karno Company in "Wow Wows"; Saville and Pifo; Lawrence and Henderson; Cy Slemons; Leulse Elliott; Manyon and Hail; pletures.

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l'ower's Elephant Roxie; Militaire; The McDonaids; Kennedy and Williams; Guy De
Campi; pictures.

GERMANTOWN (Walter Steumlig, mgr.;
agent, Chas. J. Kraus). "First haif." Vortex;
Jack Halinhan; Neilie Eltings & Co.; Mrs. Dr.
Munyon; Daie & Boyle. Last haif:
Mrs. Dr.
Munyon; Caroline Dixon: Wills & Gilbert;
Tom and Gertte Grimes; Spencer and Davis.

JUMBO (Mr. Hagner, mgr.; agent, Chas. J.
Kraus). "First haif: Great Mars; Wills and
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HIIS (Michael Weich, mgr.; agent, Chas. J. Kraus).—First haif: Burton's Dogs; Randolphs; Freeman and Watson; Morgan and Co. Last haif. Morgan and Co.; Flossie Lewan; Brooks and Jennnette; Musical Woods.

HIOAD ST. CASINO (Mr. Jacobs, mgr.; agent, Chas. J. Kraus).—First haif; Hilly Fay; Poly Carplo; Arminta and Burke; Meivin and O'Neili. Last haif: Attell Slates; Three Davis Itos.; Chas. Herrere; Hoyter and Jeannatts. Jeannette.

Jeannette.

IHPPODROME (Chas. Segal, mgr.; agent, Chas. J. Kraus).—First half: Ethel Golden; Lyric Comedy Four; Murphy and Murphy. Last half: Kathleen DeVoe; Great Mars; Martin's Leopards.

CASINO (Ellas & Koenig, mgrs.).—"Midnight Maldens." Odlva featured.
GAYETY (John P. Eckhardt, mgr.).—
"Queen of Bohemia."

A large number of professionals attended a birthday party given at Dad's Theatrical Hotel on Wednesday night of last week. A most enjoyable evening was spent. Those who entertained were Eleanore Spaulding, Frank Wallace, Ruth Clarke, Ned Dandy, Sam Roberts, Lon Hascall, Harry Grim, Mysterious Moore, Joe Perry, Great Alvin, Harry Finnerty, El Gorda, Meyer Harris, Lyric Comedy Four; Jack Callahan, "Jolly Leicht (Leicht and Wallace) officiated at the plano.

The "sister team" at the Park last week under the name of the "Doherty Sisters," attention to which was cailed in the review of the show in this column, desire it to be known they were billed under that name by the management and had no intention of infringing on the title of the original act.

ATLANTIC CITY By I. B. Pulaski.

YOUNG'S PIER (Jack D. Flynn, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.).—Farrell-Taylor-Clark, hit; Four Masons, well liked; Belia Onra, good Duff and Walah, very clever, Flischer and Chamberlain, liked; Clarle Maynard, good:

Chamberiain, iliked; Clarle Maynard, good; Omar, good; Omar, good. SAVOY (Harry Brown, mgr.; agent, Louis Wesley).—Blake's Circus, very funny; Fulgora, went big; Barnes and Robinson, hit; Dorothy DeSchelle and Co., quick action sketch; Ethel Whitesides and "Picka," liked; Deltorelli and Giassando, funny; Belle Meyers, good; Edgar Berger, clever; Pearson and STEEPLECHASE PIER (R. Morgan and W. H. Fennan, mgra.).—M. P.
MILLION DOLLAR PIER (J. L. Young and

STEEPLEURADE A MARIE VI. H. Fennan, mgrs.).—M. P. MILLION DOLLAR PIER (J. L. Young and Kennedy Crossan, mgrs.).—M. P.

At the Apollo Monday the Great Powers, a hypnotiat, advertised as "Pauline's Only Rival," appeared at the head of a vaudeville show. Wednaeday and Thursday was presented for the first time a new drama entitled "Our World," by Walter Hackett. The theme of the play deals with the question of heredity. The cast is a good one, including Dorls Keane, Alice Funtam, Campbell Collin, Vincent Serrano, Malcolm Duncan, Herbert Budd, Amelia Gardner and Olive Murray. John Drew appeared in "Smith" on Friday and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Elliott (nee Gussie Belasco) are spending their honeymoon here.

The Savoy is now giving nine acts, an extra act being added to the bill this week. With two reeis of pictures and an intermission, the show runs almost three hours. The prices have been advanced to fifty cents for the front orechstra rows.

"Skigle," VARIETY'S kid kritic, left here last Saturday, after spending a two weeks' visit with his otter The little chap, how veer, was not by hi smatter the little chap, how ever, was not by hi smatter the seem the little a pony. His favorite was a brown and tan one which evidently had been at one time with a wild west show. "Skigle" quickly learned that by pulling on the reins the pony would rear up on its hind legs. Many promenaders were daily amused by the "circus" stunts pulled off by this hardy little fellow.

AKRON, O.

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COLONIAL (F. E. Johnson, mgr.; agent, Fleber & Shea; rehearsals, Monday and Thursday 10.30).—23-26. Billy K. Wells, ordinary; Musical Warrens, entertaining, willison and Hays, well liked; Three Leightons, hl; World Famed Ishakawa Japs, great.

NORKA (M. C. Winters, mgr.; agent, Gus Sun; refearsals, Monday II).—Mile. Nachtwey, good; Marka and Vener, ordinary; Fleids and Hanson, pleasing, Three Dreamers, liked; William Schlitting and Co., big hit; Charles Heclow, fair; American Florence Troupe, very good.

TOM HARRIS.

ALTOONA, PA.

ORPHEUM (Wilmer & Vincent, ingra.; agent U. B. O.; rehearsal, Monday 11).—
Burgos and Clara, pleasing; Sain Dodg, good; Mrs. Gen. Tom Thumb and Co., big reception; Columbia Comedy Four, good.
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MAJESTIC J. W. Williams, ingr., agent,
W. V. M. A.: rehearsal, Monday 22. "Car-letta," clever; Marie Dorr, well received; Car-los' Dog and Pony Circus, good; Tom Fletcher Duo, very good; Moore's Singicy Boys with "The Girl in the Aeropiane," big hit.

MELTON.

AUBURN, N. Y.

MOTION WORLD (E. M. Day, mgr., agent, U. B. O.; rehearsals Monday 10. -Edward Todd, excellent; Murray and Baker, hlt, Royers, Fontaine and Moore, scream; Jack Dreadner, clever; Goodrich and Lingham, very good; Chester Biodgett Johnstone, clever.

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HAPPYLAND (Frank Simpson, mgr.; rehearsal, Monday 10.30). agent, Gus Sun; rehearsal, Monday 10.30).— Rother and Kelgard, excellent; Argyle Four, good; Mutt and Jeff, laugh; Rone and Van-lear, clever; Harrington and Miller, good; O'Nell and Gullford, fair.

BALTIMORE.

WILSON (M. L. Schaibley, mgr.; agent, Norman Jefferles).—Gruett and Gruett, pleased; Hunter and Sears, novel; The Tortleys, entertaining; Zoe Tanze, excellent; Penomina, extraordinary; Doherty's Poodlea, well trained. 26-28, John Bohn; Harris and Harris; Jeanette Le Blanc; Carrino Trio; Honand Helm.

VICTORIA (Chas. E. Lewis, mgr.; agent, Wm. Josh Daly).—Memo's Whirlwinds and The Tarantella Four, divide honors; Agness Edmunds, fair; Haas and Adair, average; Barnes Minstrel Four, good; Mark Linder and Co., applause; Bell and Mayo, usual; Italian Trio, good.

NEW (Chas. Whitehurst, mgr.; agent, Fel-

Co., applause; Bell and Mayo, usual; Italian Trio, good.

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LUBINS (Wm. Falt, mgr.; agent, John T. Macasien).—Howard Bros.; May Penman; Rosella; Larry Judge.

GAYETY (Wm. I., Bailauf, mgr.).—"Fads and Foliles."

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BIRMINGHAM, ALA.

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MAJESTIC (Carl Rettick, mgr.; agent, I. A.
Co.; rehearsais Monday 10;—Cavana, great;
Grace Orma, big; Itedwood and Gordon, took
well: Samson and Dougias, excellent; Willard and Bond, hit.
PASTIME (Sain Pearl, mgr.; agent, I. V.
E.)—Two Foxes; hit; Isable Vaughn, excellent; Ben Preston, great; Sam Pearl, took;
Mae Jenkins, Jecasink;
AMUSE U (E. E. Newsome, mgr.; agent,
Furlong).—C. Arthur, good; Carroll and Eller,
big; LaVanions, great; Ben C. Duncan, took
MARVEL (S. C. Ensien, mgr.; agent, Greenwood).—McDonaid Duo, great; Zeno, pleasing;
Kld Evans, good; Tom DeForrester, pleasing;
Cleb. D. Reno, hit. wood).--Mcpo... Kld Evans, good; 7 Geo. D. Reno, hit.

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1'OLI'S (L. D. Garvey, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; rehearsal, Monday 10).—Lynch and Zeler, very good; 3 Du Boll Bros., splendid: Wright Huntington and Co., liked; Weston, Fleids and Carroll, winners; DeHaven Sextet, success; Haines and Vidocq, laughing hit; "Onalp," clever.

success; Halnes and Vidocq, laughing hit; "Onalp", clever.
BIJOU (U. E. Smith, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; rehearsal, Monday and Thursday 11).—Mabelle Sisters, applause; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Varney, entertaining; alexander Wilson, good; George Bly, liked.
EMPIRE (S. L. Oswald, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; rehearsal, Monday and Thursday, 10.30).—The Great Chesno and Co., good; Moss and Frey, applause; Blanche Holt and Co., laughing hit; Mollle Matter, liked; Arnitz Bros., good.

BUFFALO, N. Y.

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SHEA'S (M. Shea, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.)
—Gus Edwards' Revue, pleased; Bert Levy,
clever; Mack and Walker, good; Henry
Horton Co., well received; "Whimsical
Wheelmen," good; Williams and Segal, fine;
Michael E. Filtzgerald, entertaining,
FAMILY.—Billy Mann, pleased; Loshe
and Sterling, good; Frank Rutledge and
Co., hit; Florence Hows, fine; McCabe and
Washburn, well received; Raymonds, clever.

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CAMDEN, N. J.

BROADWAY (W. R. MacCallum, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.).—The Rexos, Jack Van Epps; Ward, Klare and Ward: Alfred Foster, John R. Gordon and Co., Ernest Brinkman and Sted Slaters; Charles Abeam Troupe.

CHARLESTON, S. C.

MAJESTIC (J. C. Eherlll, mgr.; agent, In-ter-State)—Jan. 16. Mozzetto, hit; Toklo, clever; Mnkarento Duo, great; Dave and Per-cie Martin, entertaining. "MEL."

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COLUMBIA (H. K. Shockley, mgr.; agent, Orpheum Circuit; rehearsal Sunday 11).—

Krags Trio, excellent; La Tortajada, ordinary; Harvey-DeVora Trio, hit; 'High Life In Jail,'' scream; Ben Welch, bolaterous applause; Clarice Mayne, great; Wynn and Jennings, big hit; Six Abdailahs, marvelous.

EMPRESS (Howard E. Robinson, mgr.; rehearsal Sunday 10).—Walker and Sturm, hit; Marcous, very fine; Norton and Russell, scored; Robert Henry Hodge and Co., hit; Carl McCullough, hit; Trovello, featured.

AMERICAN (E. W. Dustin, mgr.; agents, W. V. A. and Gus Sun; rehearsal Monday 9).—Emmett and Emmett; Kimbail and Donovan; Wagner and Diggs; Rose Kendall; D. J. Powers; Parker and Kramo; Tommy Overholt; Carroll and Brevoort; Marle McNell; Het DOPLE'S discounting the Company of t

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HIPODROME (H. A. Danlels, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; rehearsal, Monday 10)—Mathewson, Myers and May Tully, headline, fine; Zara Carmen Trio, clever; Mack and Williams, won favor; Loney Haskell, hit; Scott and Keane, did well; Clark and Bergman, winner; Ray Cox, pleasing; Marshall Montgomery, liked.

GRAND (J. H. Michels, mgr; rehearsal, Monday 10)—Three Shortles, open; Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds, won favor; Six Jolly Bohemians, novelty; Brown and Brown, hit; Monroe and Mack, feature; Plottls, pleased; Hall's Dogs, for the children.

I'ROSPECT (H. A. Danlels, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; rehearsal, Monday 10)—Ward and McNally, good; Schaar-Wheeler Trio, clever; Bert and Bess Draper, fair; Klein and Clinton and Co., novelty; "In the Subway," good comedy; Morrisey and Hanlon, hit; Joe Fanton's, very good.

STAR (Drew & Campbell, mgrs.; rehearsal, Monday 10).—"Rollickers."

EMPIRE (E. A. McArdel, mgr.; rehearsal, Monday 10).—"Irwin's Big Show."

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DAVENPORT, IA.

AMERICAN (C. E. Berkell, mgr.; agent, Wm. Morris; rehearsa; Monday 12.30).—O'Noal Bros. assisted by Walmiste, laugh; la Teska, clever; Barrett and Earle, fair; Delmar, noar; Jane Dara, good. SilARON.

DAYTON, O.

LYRIC (Max Hurtig, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.).

—Juggling Burks, clever; Dunbar and Turner, very good; Hedges Bros. and Jacoban, headliner; Waish, Lynch and Co., good; Von Klein and Gibson, hit; Bixley and Fink, good; Exposition Four, big applause. B. U. MYERS.

DES MOINES, IA.

ORPHEUM—Week 15. Frey Twins, average; John P. Wade and Co. good: Thurber and Madison, liked; The Old Soldier Fiddier, lot; Clifford and Burke, good; Spissell Broz., very good. I ne Romain, because of the death of her nother, cancelled her engagement at the Orpheum Tuesday night.

MAJESTIC.—Swan's Cat and Rat Circus, kood; Sumers and Page, fair; Y Berri, good; Ned Seymour, good; "Alaska or Bust," good.

ELMIRA, N. Y.

HAPPY HOUR (G. H. Ven Demark, mgr.) agent, U. B. O.; rehearsal, Monday 12.30).—
23-25. Lang and Smythe, big hit; LaMont and Milham, well received. 26-28. Emerson and Dupre: Fred and Beas Lucler.
FAMTLY (Max Sherman, mgr.; agents, Buckner-Shea: rehearsal, Monday 10).—23-25. DuMont and LaMar, excellent; Lewis, Norton and Co., excellent comedy; Effic LaCroix, Good; George Lawford, scored. 26-28, Leander and Co.

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SAVOY (Julius Cahn, mgr.; agent, Loew; rehearsal, Monday 10).—Azards, good; Hetty Urma, very good. Eldon and Clifton, good; schrode and Mulvey, excellent; Rohand Carter and Co., hit; Seven Bruncho Busters, very good.

BUJOU (L. M. Boas, mgr.; agent, direct; phearsal, Monday 10).—23-25, Henry and Young, very good. "That Kid," good; Lloyd and Bibson, very good. 25-28, Earl and Wilson; Leona Guerney; Yamamoto Bros.

FAR FAMED

PREMIER (L. M. Boas, mgr.; agent, direct; rehearsal, Monday 10).—23-25, L'Algion, good; Nelson and Nelson, very good. 26-28, Guy Hunter; D'Estes Marlonettes. EDW. F. RAFFERTY.

HARRISBURG, PA.

ORI'HEUM (Wilmer & Vincent, mgra;
agt., U.B.O.; rehearsal, Monday 10)—Van der
Koors, entertaining: Beth Tate, hit: Claude
and Fannie Usher, well received; Stewart and
Marshali, laughs; Al Cariton, pleased; Keno,
Welch and Montrose, scored; "College Life,"
pleasing, overrated as headliner.
HIPPODROME (A. L. Rounfort & Co.,
mgrs; agent, Rudy Heller; rehearsal, Monday
10).—Schwab and Knell; Berry and Black
Ruth Telford.

J. P. J.

HARRISBURG, PA.

JAMESTOWN, N. Y.

LYRIC (H. A. Deardourff, mgr.; agent, Gus Sun; rehearsal 10).—Petit Family, fine; The Claysons, pleased; Espositos Duo. satisfac-tory; Bert Saunders, good. L. T. BERLINER.

LINCOLN, NEB.

ORPHEUM (Martin Beck, gen. mgr.; agent, direct; rehearsal, Monday 6).—Lloyd and Roberts, good; Kaufmann Troupe, excellent; Milch Sisters, good; Alexander and Scot, well liked; Allen Wightman, pleased; Jarrow, pleased.

LOS ANGELES, CAL.

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ORPHEUM (Martin Beck, gen, mgr.; agent, direct; Monday rehearsal 10)—Week 16, Cross and Josephine, clever; Joe Jackson, unny; Joe Harts "Bathing Giris," immene; Maud Rochez's Monkeys, entertaining, Holdovers, Thomas and Hall; Mr. Hymack; The Vanis; Harlan Knight and Co. LOS ANGELES (E. J. Donnellan, mgr.; Monday rehearsal 11).—May Nannary and Co., capital; Romain, artistic; De Loris, interesting: Bonhair, agile; Billy Chase, fair; Tennis Trio, dexterous.

PANTAGES (Carl Walker, mgr.; agent, direct; Monday rehearsal 11).—Wilson Franklyn and Co., laugh producing; Mile, Hengaur, good; J. D. Doyle, humorous; Four Olivers, daring; Burling & Urban, fair: American Four, took well.

EDWIN F. O'MALLEY.

MILWAUKEE, WIS.

MAJESTIC (James A. Higler, mgr.; agent, Orpheum Circuit; rehearsal, Monday 10).— Annette Kellermann, drawing large crowds; Barrows-Lancaster Co., good: Tom Waters, pleasing; Adelmann Family, good: Marle Fenton, very good: Blson City Four, fine; Swor and Mack, nicely; Lane and O'Donnel, wood.

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ORPHEUM (Geo. F. Driscoll, mgr.; agents, U. B. O.).—Morton and Moore, big hit; Marion Murray and Co. went well; Tasmanian Van Dieman Troupe, big; Dave Ferguson, well received; Tossing Austins, took well; Nihio's Talking Birds, very big; Lyons and Yosco, well received; Berzac Comedy Circus, riok.

MUNCIE, IND.

STAR (Ray Andrews, mgr.; agent, Gus Sur, rehears), Monday 10.30).—Bennett and Sterling, good; Lucius Fairchild, good; Gilday Slaters, pleased; Mile. Bernice and Bears, hit.

NEWARK, N. J.

PROCTOR'S (R. C. Stewart, mgr.; agent U. B. O.; rehearsai, Monday 9).—Solar an Rogers, did well; Carson and Willard, up ponrious; Mr. and Mrs. Mark Murphy, clev er; Frank Milton and De Long Ststers, hit Albert Hole, charmed; Barnes and Craw ford, seream; Avon Comedy Four, success Lasky's Imperial Musicians, closed good U. B. Rogers, c

Perry and Kent, live; Ben Pierce, funny. 26-28, Musical Macks: Gould Sisters: Mabel wayne; Lon Hoffmann; Duncan and Reynolds; The Imperial Dancers. EMPIRE (Leon Evans, mgr.).—"Wise

Guy."

WALDMANN'S (Lee Ottelengul, mgr.)."London Belles."

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NEW HAVEN, CONN.

POLI'S (S. Z. Poll, prop.; F. J. Windlsch, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; rchearsal, Monday).—Sam Mann and Co., whirlwind of merriment; The Six Steppers, very good: Belle Adair, fine; Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Voelker, good; Harry Breen, excellent; Marselles, good, The Three Livingstons, good closing act.

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LAWRENCE (Grant Heth, mgr.).—23-25,
G. W. Allen and Co, pleased; Williams and
Stevens, good.

EMPIRE (Empire Amusement Co., mgrs.).
—23-25, Stewart and Donahue, good; Dan
Mason and Co., big.

ORPHEUM (Bullock & Davis, mgrs.).—
23-25, Clayton Sisters, fair; The Vincents,
excellent. S. M. P.

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ORPHEUM (Martin Beck, gen. mgr.; agent, direct).—Ida O'Day and Donald Bowles in "Cinders," did not appeal, unnatural and farfetched playlet; Work and Ower, hit; Four Fords, pleased, classical interlude detracts: Stepp. Melhniger and King, distinctly successful; Bowers, Walters and Crooker, fine reception; Josle Heather, cold prevente dappearance Monday evening.

ance Monday evening.

GREENWALL (Arthur B. Leopold, mgr.).—
The American is the Greenwall once more,
Henry Greenwall, owner of the theatre, having changed its name. Ralph Seabury opened;
Josephine LeRoy, pleased: Beulah De Buse,
'small time" headliner; World Comedy Four,
big: Dyke and Dyke closed the show.
LYRIC (Waiter Brown, mgr.).—Madelyn
Shone, liked immensely; Monte Wilkes, started nothing: Bisbee and Conneily, lariat throwers and musicians, versatile: "Behind the
Bars at Joilet," highly entertaining; Lucille
Whitmore, scored; Rose Meyers, closed.
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AUDITORIUM (J. F. Egan, mgr.; agent, 1. B. O.; rehrenrsal, Monday 11).—W. B. Paton and Co., blg hit; Davery and Everson, kood: Brady and Lorenzo, very good.
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OAKLAND, CAL.

ORI-HEUM (Martin Beck, mgr.; agent, direct).—Ronita and Lew Hern; Hanlon Bros.; Elsie, Wulf and Waldoff; Five Cycling Auroras. Hold-overs, Alice Lloyd; Lew Bully Hibert and Warren.

BEIL (Juless Cohn, mgr.).—Phil and Netter Peters; Josephine Alnsley; Pelham; Carter and Waters; Carroll and Cook.

ONEONTA, N. Y. ONEONTA (Harry M. Dunham, mgr.; agent, Prudentlat; rehearsal, Monday and Thursday 1).—23-25, Landon and Viretta, well liked; Alice Lamont, good; M. P.; DE LONG.

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MAJIENTIC (Metz and Gold. owners; W. H. Walsh, mgr., agent, U. B. O.; rehearsal, Monday 10).—Frank Keenan and Co., folg. Rose Seldon, pleasing, Eisle Paye, Miller and Weston, scored; Big City Foir, excellent, James F. Leonard and Co., riot; Jondans, well liked. Avery and Hart, good. "FARNOTE."

PITTSBURGH.

ORAND HARRY DAVIS, mgr., agent, U. B.
O.; rehearsal, Monday 9).—Alexandras Sisters, very good; Morrissey Sisters and Brothers, very freelved; McConnell and Simpson, laughter; Rogers and Hart, very good; Irene Franklin, big hit; Andy Rice, many encores; "The Little Stranger," pleased; Robledlio, great.

great.
FAMILY (John P. Harris, mgr.; agent, Morganstern; rehearsal, Monday 9.—Alvarado's Goats, interesting; Burton and Burton, pleased; Roma Duo, good; Two Pattersons, pleased; Marle Gordon, well received; George X. Wilson and Co. very good.
LIBERTY (Abe Cohen, mgr., agent, Gus Sun; rehearsal, Monday 3).—Brockway Bros.

clever; LeRoy and Stein entertaining, Ed Warren, good; Fuller, Rose and Co., much applause. ACADEMY (Harry Williams, migr). "Brigadiers" GAYETY (Henry Kurtzman migr): "Ma-iestics" M. S. KAUL

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HIPPODROME (C. G. Keeney, mgr.; agents, Morris; rehearsal, Monday and Thursday Morris; rehearsal, Monday and Thursday May Clinton, liked; Southern Quartet, fair; Eduard Jose, very good; Hanlon Bros., well

Eduard Jose, very good; Hanion Bros., went received.

PALACE (W. K. Goldenberg, mgr.; agent, McHugh; rehearsal, Monday and Thursday 10.30).—Raffin's Monkeys, liked; Corris and Corri, good; Manning Trio, good; Bert Tyson, good; Annie Abbott, well received.

LYRI's (Frank D. Hill, mgr.; agent, Loew; rehearsal Monday and Thursday 10).—Franklin and Davis, laughs; Al S. Wilson, pleased; Lewis' Dogs and Monkeys, liked. G. R. H.

RENOVO, PA.

FAMILY (Albright & McCarthy, mgra: agent, Eastern Vaudeville Aasociation; Monday and Thursday rehearasis 3.30).—23-25.

W. O. Frank, clever: Blondle Robinson Duo, good. 28-28, Fred. W. Morton, Kreeco and Fox.

RICHMOND, VA.

COLONIAL (Wilmer, Vincent & Wells, mgrs; agent, Norman Jefferies; rehearsal, Monday 11).—Valentine and Bell, blg; Crowley and Crowley, very good; Thompson and Vinton, hlt.

LUBIN (C. T. Boyles, mgr.; agent, Norman Jefferies; rehearsal, Monday and Thursday 11).—Don Fabelo, classy; Brennon and Wright, very good; Cole and Coleman, excellent.

MAJESTI (J. P. Quinn, mgr.; agent, W. V. A.; rehearsal, 12.30)—Musical Stork, classy: Howard and Lawrence, good; Tetsuwarl Japs, clever; Clemons and Dunbar, pleased.

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PRINCESS.—Smith and Aradoe, good; Moretta Sisters, good; Four Frozes, please; ple

hit of bill:

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ORPHEUM.—Jones and Neely, hit of bill;
Duffin-Redcay Troupe, good; Quigley Bros,
excellent; Nevins and Erwood, scored big;
Chandler, Blonda and Sully, new act, hit;
'Gee Jays,' good; Parshley, pleased.

("ASINO.—Myrtle and Mabel, hit; Hashlmoto, good; The Benningtons, good; pictures.

MISSION.—Minstrel Four, hit; Sandor Bros.,
good; Arthur Loftus, pleased; Brown and
Rogers, good.

Rogers, good.

SAVANNAH, GA.

ORPHEUM (Joseph A. Wilensky, mgr.; agent, Inter-State Circuit; rehearsal, Monday 11).—Toko, well received: Dave and Percie Martin, big, Grace be Winters, elever; Sampsend Douglas, secred; Mozetto and Co., secret and Co., well as the secret and Co., bison, good; Morrisey and Rich, hit; Sid Allen, good; Four Avolons, fine; Eckert and Berg, hit.

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SHREVEFORT, I.A.

MAJESTIC (Ehrlich & Coleman Co.: agent, Hodkins; rehearsal, Sunday I.30).—Two De Comas, fair: Vordelias, ordinary: Herbert Jodge, hit; Fred West and Co., went well. PALACE (C. L. Montville, mgr.; agent, direct; rehearsal, Sunday 1).—Chick Warwick, pleased; Garcia and Hemmingway, good; Musical Valpo, good; Rogers and Marvin, went well; Frank J. Powers, pleased.

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POLI'S (S. J. Breen, res. mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; rehearsal Monday 10).—Duffy and Edwards, good; Field rBos. usual; Three Keatons, scream; Reldy and Currier, neat; Lola. the Mystic, caused wonderment; Hoey and Lee, very good; Spadoln, unusual. G. A. P.

TORONTO, ONT.

SHEA'S (J. Shea, mgr.: ugent. U. B. O.; rehearsaid Monday 10).—Stone and Kallsz, artistic; Van and Boaumont Sisters, well received; Henry Clive and Mni Sturgswalker, funny; Burry and Walford, clever: Al Rayno's Buil Dogs, novelty: Vittorio and Georgetto, good; Novel-tte, splendid.

MAJESTIC (Peter F. Griffin, mgr.: agent, direct).—Kardara and His Twin Daughters, Arnold and Rickey; Billy West; Sperbeck Sisters; Dorna Claremon; Temple Trio; Eva Thatcher.

Thatcher, YONGE STREET (G. H. W. Moran, ingr.), —Gehan, Greenwood and Gehan; May Max-fleld; Kimbali and Lewis; Goodhue and Bur-

gess.
STAR (Dan T. Plerce, mgr.). Cosy Corner Girls."

GAYETY (T. R. Henry, mgr.). -"Jersey HARTLEY.

WASHINGTON, D. C.
CHASE'S (H. W. DeWitt, mgr.; agent, U. B.
O.; rehearsal, Monday 11).—Elita Proctor
Otlis and Co., hit; Hickey Trio, elever; Mack
and Orth, well received; Hawley, Haight and
Co., second honors; Johnny and Carrie Mack,
pleased; Four Onetto Sisters, elever; Jack
Wilson and Co., repeated encores;
MAJESTIC (F. B. Weston, mgr.; agent,
cleveland; rehearsal, Monday 10).—Lueille
Alinsley and LeRoy Sisters, hit; LeRoy, clever;
Jeff and LaVerne Healy, well received; Stanley James and Co., pleased; Willis and Lewis,
big.

lev James and Co., pleased; Willis and Lewis, blg. Nation (A. C. Mayer, mgr.; agent. Wm. Morris: rehearsal, Monday 10).—Diamond Comedy Four, hit. Mr. and Mrs. Fred S. Thomas, honors, Jean Ryan, well received; Todesca Keating Trio, clever; Stuart and Ward, pleased; Harry Burgoyne, applause, COSMOS (A. J. Bryinwski, mgr.; acent. Norman Jefferles; rehearsal, Monday 10).—23-25, Horan and Helm: Matsudo Troupes, first honors; Three Carrenos, clever, John Bohan; Eugenie Blake, well received.
GAYETY Geo., Peck, mgr.). "Ginger Giris."

LYCEUM (Eugene Kernan, mgr.) -"Mer Whirt." W. K. BOWMAN.

WARRURTON Glos. E. Schanberger, mgr.; rehearsal, Monday 10.30).—"Joyland," very good, Jimmy Lucas and Frances Field, hit; Connelly and Webb, second honors; "A Vellow Scoop," improbable, but well acted Lucille Langdon, very nice; Three Ravens, pleased, Krisselfs Bogs, fair; pictures, ORPHEUM (Sol. Schwartz, mgr.; agent, U. B. O.; rehearsal Monday and Thursday 12).—
19-21, Will H. Veder and Kate Morgan, clever sketch; Collins and Riley, went big:

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PARK (John Elliott, mgr.; agent, Felber & Shea).—"Star Bout," feature, hit; Amisca, clever; Burke, Carter and Boys, clever; Van Camp, pleased; Flo Zeller and Boys, good; Leon Rogee, fine.
PRINCESS (Walter Hanlich, mgr.; agent, Gus Sun).—Edward Lazelle, good; Lizzle Wilson, clever; Brott and Co., pleased; Francis Murphy, funny; Six Spillers, fine; Vera Montrose, good.

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